

**COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND**

October 15, 2007

Mayor Bill Gardiner called the meeting of the Council to order at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 4310 Gallatin Street, Hyattsville, Maryland.

Present were Mayor Bill Gardiner, Council Vice President Marc Tartaro (arrived at 8:20 p.m.), and Council Members Ruth Ann Frazier, Carlos Lizanne (arrived at 8:10 p.m.), Mark Matulef, Bill Tierney, Douglas Dudrow, and Anthony Patterson. Council President Krista Atteberry, and Council Members Paula Perry and Nicole Hinds were absent.

Also present were City Administrator Murphy, Chief of Police Holland, City Treasurer Oliphant, and City Clerk Barber.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**Council Member Matulef moved that the Mayor and Council approve the agenda.** The motion passed, unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Council Member Tierney moved that the Mayor and Council approve the following Council Meeting Minutes of October 1, 2007 and the Special Council Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2007.** The motion passed, unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

City Administrator Murphy reported to the Mayor and Council and gave a brief overview of the Livable Communities Projects recently held in the City of Hyattsville. Ms. Murphy additionally reported on sessions she attended at the annual ICMA conference held in Pittsburg, PA. Ms. Murphy responded to questions of clarification given by the Mayor and Council.

Chief of Police Holland was not scheduled to present a formal report to the Mayor and Council; however he provided a brief update on his recent trip to China for the Special Olympics.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mr. Pat Yinkey, 5300 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, addressed the Mayor and Council; he noted his appreciation to City Administrator Murphy and Director of Public Works Henry for their assistance on a recent issue.

Mr. David Marshall, 6000 Block of 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue, addressed the Mayor and Council; he stated his family's opposition to motion # 182-10-07 being presented to the Mayor and Council at the Council Meeting.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

**Council Member Tierney moved that the Mayor and Council approve a \$250.00 donation to the Children's Rights Council, a non-profit organization based in Hyattsville, to support the services at their Neutral Drop-Off and Pick-up Center for Children at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 5901 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The motion passed, unanimously.**

**Council Member Patterson moved that the Mayor and Council approve a correspondence to County Councilman Will Campos supporting Mid-City Financials request for County Revitalization Tax Credits for the Mosaic at Metro project. The motion passed, unanimously.**

**Council Member Frazier moved that the Mayor and Council create a part-time Volunteer Coordinator position, and direct the City Administrator to place the position on the appropriate step level. The motion passed, unanimously.**

**Council Member Patterson moved that the Mayor and Council adopt Hyattsville Ordinance 2007-11, an ordinance whereby the City Council clarifies that a permit is not required when the City determines that a tree protected by this chapter needs to be removed and further requires that any tree expert consulted by the City may not do work or otherwise profit from further work on the particular tree (Second Reading). The motion passed, unanimously.**

**Council Member Frazier moved that the Mayor and Council adopt Hyattsville Ordinance 2007-12, an ordinance whereby the City Council changes the expiration date of business licenses to June 30<sup>th</sup> of each year (Second Reading). The motion passed, unanimously.**

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

##### *FY08 Department Goals, Outputs, and Outcomes*

The Mayor and Council discussed the issue at length. City Treasurer Oliphant and City Administrator Murphy responded to questions and provided clarifying responses related to the two documents distributed during the meeting regarding the FY08 Department Goals document being considered by Council relating to the staff developed goals and output document of October 1, 2007.

*Motion#173-10-07 Public Safety Act 2007*

Council Member Matulef addressed the proposed motion on the issue and provided clarification to the Mayor, Council, and City Staff. Mayor Gardiner opened the floor for additional Council comments. The Mayor and Council discussed the motion at length. Chief Holland provided feedback to the Council Member comments on the issue. Council Member Matulef requested that Council Member Perry be listed as a co-sponsor of the motion.

**Council Vice President Tartaro moved to close the Council Meeting of October 15, 2007 to discuss a personnel matter and the terms of employment and compensation of individual City employees considering an employment contract.** A roll call vote was taken on the motion. The motion passed, unanimously.

Note for the Record:

The Mayor and Council went into a Closed Session at 10:07 p.m.

**Council Member Tierney moved to return to open session of the Council Meeting of October 15, 2007 to adjourn the meeting.** The motion passed, unanimously.

Note for the Record:

The Mayor and Council returned to open session of the Council Meeting of October 15, 2007 at 11:00 p.m.

**Council Member Tierney moved to adjourn the Council Meeting of October 15, 2007.** The motion passed, unanimously.

The Council Meeting of October 15, 2007 ended at 11:03 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Douglass A. Barber, City Clerk

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William F. Gardiner, Mayor