

COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND

May 16, 2005

Mayor Bill Gardiner called the meeting of the Council to order at 8:04 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 4310 Gallatin Street, Hyattsville, Maryland.

Present were Mayor Bill Gardiner, Council President Stuart Eisenberg, Council Vice President Paula Perry, and Council Member Scott Wilson, Ruth Ann Frazier, Christopher Currie, Jon Lewis, Scott Wythe, Mary Elwood, and Carlos Lizanne.

Also present were City Administrator Murphy, Chief of Police Holland, Director of Public Works Henry (8:21 p.m.), City Treasurer Oliphant, City Attorney Colaresi, and City Clerk Barber.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. John Aquilino, 5721 39th Avenue, addressed the Mayor and Council on issues raised during the recent City Election on his election campaign.

Ms. Lee Ann Barlow, 5611 35th Place, addressed the Mayor and Council, on issues and concerns raised during the recent City Election regarding the candidates.

Mark Matulef, 5716 39th Avenue, addressed the Mayor and Council, he commented on items on the current agenda. Mr. Matulef also thanked those who supported him during his campaign.

Mr. David Marshall, 3700 Block of 37th Avenue, addressed the Mayor and Council and stated his support for the proposed police purchase in the FY06 budget. Mr. Marshall and thanked the Mayor and Council for their service for those that are staying and those who are moving on.

Ms. Lisa Davidson, 3907 Madison Street, addressed the Mayor and Council; she submitted information to the Mayor and Council for the official record for council review in regard to the upcoming presentation and Special Council Meeting for EYA to presents their redevelopment plan for the Lustine Property.

Ms. Gloria Felix-Thompson, 5004 42nd Avenue, addressed the Mayor and Council, she noted and thanked Council Member Dudrow, Council Member Wilson, and Council President Eisenberg for their dedicated years of service, and also welcomed the new Council Members. Ms. Thompson noted the upcoming Dogs for the Arts event scheduled for June 6th at Magruder Park.

Mr. Terry Dowdy, 3928 Madison Street, addressed the Mayor and Council and stated his support for Motion 84-05-05 on the current agenda.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Council President Eisenberg moved that the Mayor and Council approve the agenda, as amended. The motion passed, unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council President Eisenberg moved that the Mayor and Council approve the minutes from the Council Work Sessions of March 28, 2005 and April 11, 2005 and the minutes from the Council Meetings of April 4, 2005, and April 18, 2005. The motion passed, unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council President Eisenberg moved that the Mayor and Council approve the consent agenda that includes: (1) to adopt Hyattsville Charter Amendment Resolution 2005-09, a resolution of the Mayor and City Council clarifying that the Oath of Office is required for Department Heads (Second Reading); (2) to schedule a Public Hearing for Monday, May 23, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. prior to the Council Work Session to discuss and establish the real property tax rate for FY06 and to discuss the operating and capital budget for FY06; (3) to schedule a Community Meeting for Wednesday, June 1, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. and a Special Council Meeting on Monday, June 13, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. for a presentation from EYA to City Council to review the preliminary and detailed site plans on the proposed redevelopment of the Lustine property (west side development); (4) to authorize the City Administrator to negotiate an employment contract with a current City employee. The motion passed, unanimously.

Note for the Record: Motion 83-05-05 was pulled for further discussion by Council Member Jon Lewis and Motion 84-05-05 was tabled by the Mayor and Council until a later date.

Council President Eisenberg moved that the Mayor and Council approve the City to participate in Prince George's County CDBG and HOME programs for the three-year period of Federal Fiscal years 2006, 2007, and 2008, and send correspondences to the County urging the County to provide municipalities with our fair share of CDBG funds. Council Member Currie amended the motion to choose the option to have the City not participate in the Prince George's County CDBG and Home Program for 2006 but participate in years 2007 and 2008. The amendment failed. The Mayor and Council then voted on the original motion as presented. The motion passed, unanimously.

Council President Eisenberg moved that the Mayor and Council certify the results of the 2005 Biennial City Election held on Monday, May 2, 2005. This certification is provided for under Section, C4-11 of the Hyattsville City Charter. The motion passed, unanimously.

Council Member Currie moved that the Mayor and Council remove motion 84-05-05 from the table and back on for discussion. The motion passed, unanimously.

Council President Eisenberg moved that the Mayor and Council amend the proposed FY06 budget to shift sources to include funding of new technology equipment for the Police Department. The motion passed, unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF PORTRAITS

Council Member Scott Wilson was presented with a proclamation for his dedication and years of service to the City of Hyattsville by the Mayor and Council and presented with his Council portrait by Mayor Gardiner.

Council Member Douglas Dudrow was presented with a proclamation for his dedication and years of service to the City of Hyattsville by the Mayor and Council and presented with his Council portrait by Mayor Gardiner. Note Council Member Dudrow was unable to attend the Council Meeting.

Council President Stuart Eisenberg was presented with a proclamation for his dedication and years of service to the City of Hyattsville by the Mayor and Council and presented with his Council portrait by Mayor Gardiner.

Mayor Gardiner presented Council President Stuart Eisenberg with the Mayor's Award for his outstanding leadership, dedication, and accomplishments on behalf of the City of Hyattsville.

COUNCIL DIALOG:

Council Member Wilson thanked Ms. Krista Atteberry for running a good campaign in the recent City Election.

Council President Eisenberg noted his appreciation to the Ward 2 residents allowing him to serve.

Council Vice President Perry moved that the Mayor and Council adjourn Sine Die. The motion passed, unanimously.

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The Council Meeting of May 16, 2005 adjourned sine die at 8:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

Douglass A. Barber, City Clerk

William F. Gardiner, Mayor