

MINUTES
Special Session of the College Park City Council
Wednesday, July 5, 2006*
8:15 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Brayman; Councilmembers Milligan, Krouse, Catlin, Perry, Fellows, Olson and Peña-Melnyk; Student Liaison Jesse Blitzstein.

ABSENT: Councilmember Hampton.

ALSO PRESENT: Joe Nagro, City Manager; Sara Imhulse, Assistant to the City Manager; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney; Janeen Miller, City Clerk; Terry Schum, Director of Planning; Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services; Steve Groh, Director of Finance; Steve Halpern, City Engineer; Claire Sale and Dorothy Friedman, Planning Department Staff.

During the regularly scheduled Worksession of the College Park City Council on July 5, 2006, a motion was made by Councilmember Krouse and seconded by Councilmember Milligan to enter Special Session. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Action Items:

06-G-92 Authorize City Manager To Sign Contracts For The Purchase Of 7306 And 7308 Yale Avenue

A motion was made by Councilmember Fellows and seconded by Councilmember Krouse to approve the two “Contracts for Sale and Purchase of Real Property” for 7306 and 7308 Yale Avenue, at the purchase price of \$831,600 each, and authorize the City Manager to sign both agreements. These funds will be advanced from the City’s undesignated reserve, and any grants or loans associated with this project (i.e. Community Legacy), and will ultimately be financed as part of the Downtown Parking Garage and Redevelopment Project.

Councilmember Fellows read the comments into the record.

Comments from the audience:

John Brown, DCPMA: The Downtown College Park Management Authority is in favor of this motion. DCPMA President Ted Ankeney has supplied a letter of support for the record.

Mayor Brayman discussed the overall downtown development project and the timing of this project to date, and explained that the timing of the public disclosure of the details depends upon the status of negotiations.

The motion carried 7-0-0.

Ord. No. 06-O-05 An Emergency Ordinance Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Maryland, Amending Chapter 15 “Boards, Commissions And Committees”, Section 15-40 “Composition” To Clarify That The Members Of The Rent Stabilization Board May Be Members Of Other City Boards, Commissions Or Committees.

A motion was made by Councilmember Catlin and seconded by Councilmember Peña-Melnyk for the introduction and adoption of this Emergency Ordinance. The purpose of this Ordinance is to exempt appointees to the Rent Stabilization Board from the requirement that they are disqualified if they serve as compensated members on other city Boards or Commissions. The original intent of the Ordinance was simply to disallow City Councilmembers or Employees from serving on the Rent Stabilization Board, but as it was written, members of other Boards and Commissions also could not serve on the Rent Stabilization Board. This Ordinance will clarify that members of the Rent Stabilization Board may also serve on other City Boards and Commissions.

There were no comments from the audience on this item.

The motion to adopt this Ordinance passed 7-0-0. The motion required and received a super majority.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Krouse and seconded by Councilmember Milligan. The motion passed 7-0-0, and the Special Session was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

*Note: The Council Worksession was held on Wednesday July 5 due to the Independence Day holiday on Tuesday July 4.

Janeen S. Miller, City Clerk