

MINUTES
Regular Meeting of the College Park City Council
And
Inauguration of the 2009 – 2011 Mayor and Council
Tuesday, December 8, 2009
8:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Stephen A. Brayman; Councilmembers Molinatto, Wojahn, Catlin, Perry, Stullich, Mark Cook, Hampton and Mary Cook.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Joe Nagro, City Manager; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney; Janeen Miller, City Clerk; Mayor-elect Andrew Fellows; Councilmembers-elect Nagle, Afzali and Mitchell; Student Liaison Jonathan Sachs; Deputy Student Liaison Becca Lurie; Robert Ryan, Director of Public Services; Terry Schum, Director of Planning; Steve Groh, Director of Finance; Peggy Higgins, Director of Community Resources; Bob Stumpff, Director of Public Works; Jill Clements, Director of Human Resources; Steve Halpern, City Engineer.

Mayor Brayman opened the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and invited the Rev. Dr. Carol J. Jablonski, Rector of St. Andrews Episcopal Church to give the invocation. Mayor Brayman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements: Councilmember Wojahn announced there would be a neighborhood clean-up event on Sunday beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the Hollywood commercial district area. Meet at MOMs.

Acknowledgement of Dignitaries: Mayor Brayman recognized County Councilmembers Eric Olson and Samuel Dean, State Delegate Barbara Frush, Edmonston Mayor Adam Ortiz, Laurel Mayor Craig Moe, Former College Park Mayor Joe Page, Riverdale Park Town Administrator Sara Imhulse, Mary Lehman from Delegate Peña-Melnyk's office, former City Councilmember Don Byrd, Nina Smith from Gov. O'Malley's office, Mrs. Thelma Lomax, SGA President Steve Glickman, Col. Davis, Major Dusseau and Capt. Lipsey from the Prince George's County Police Department, North College Park Citizens Association President Larry Bleau, Lakeland Civic Association President Monroe Dennis, and former State Delegate Brian Moe. States Attorney Glenn Ivey and Terrance Taylor from Congressman Hoyer's office arrived later.

Minutes: A motion was made by Councilmember Hampton and seconded by Councilmember Mark Cook to adopt the minutes from the November 24 Regular Meeting and the December 1 Special Session. The motion carried 8-0-0.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Councilmember Perry and seconded by Councilmember Hampton to adopt the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the following items:

- 09-R-16 Resolution Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Maryland Adopting The Recommendation Of The Advisory Planning Commission Regarding Variance Application Number CPV-2009-06, 9030 Rhode Island Avenue, College Park, Maryland, Recommending Approval Of Variances Of 12 Feet From The Required 25-Foot Front Yard Setback, And 9 Feet From The Required 20-Foot Rear Yard Setback To Construct A 34-Foot By 30.6 Foot Addition In The Northern Side Yard.**
- 09-R-17 Resolution Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Maryland Adopting The Recommendation Of The Advisory Planning Commission Regarding Variance Application Number CPV-2009-09, 9502 50th Place, College Park, Maryland, Recommending Approval Of A Variance Of 3% Or 176.78 Square Feet From The Maximum Allowable Lot Coverage Of 30% Or 1,862 Square Feet; .5 Feet From The Combined Side Yard Depth Of 17 Feet For The Carport; And .5 Feet From The Required 2-Foot Setback From The Rear Lot Line For Accessory Buildings For The 8.5-Foot By 10-Foot Shed**
- 09-R-19 Resolution Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Maryland Adopting The Recommendation Of The Advisory Planning Commission Regarding Variance Application Number CPV-2009-13, 4811 Muskogee Street, College Park, Maryland, Recommending Denial Of A Variance To Section 27-420(A) And Denial Of Variances Of 8 Feet From The Minimum Required Side Yard Setback For Both Side Yards, 17 Feet From The Minimum Required Combined Side Yard Setback, And 20 Feet From The Minimum Required Rear Yard Setback To Validate An Existing 10-Foot Fence At The Property Line**

The motion carried 8-0-0 and the Consent Agenda was adopted.

Comments From The Audience:

County Councilmember Eric Olson made personal remarks to recognize Mayor Brayman's 12 years of service to the City. He also recognized Councilmembers Hampton, Mary Cook, and Molinatto. He and **Councilmember Samuel Dean** presented proclamations from the County Council to Mayor Brayman, Councilmember Hampton, Councilmember Mary Cook, and Councilmember Molinatto. Councilmember Olson also recognized the incoming Mayor and Councilmembers.

Larry Bleau, President of the North College Park Citizens Association, 4901 Niagara Road: Announced the agenda for Thursday night's NCPCA meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Davis Hall: Safety report from the Community Response officer, a speaker from the County assessor's office, update to the by-laws and other housekeeping matters.

Col. Davis, Prince George's County Police: Made personal remarks and expressed best wishes to Mayor Brayman and the outgoing Councilmembers, and welcomed the incoming Mayor and Councilmembers. He also conveyed Chief Hylton's regards.

State Delegate Barbara Frush expressed appreciation on behalf of the 21st Delegation and made personal remarks to Mayor Brayman and the outgoing Councilmembers. She also congratulated the incoming Mayor and Councilmembers.

Edmonston Mayor Adam Ortiz bid an honored farewell to Mayor Brayman and Councilmember Hampton and made personal remarks to both. He welcomed the incoming Mayor and Councilmembers.

Mr. Nagro read a letter into the record from **Greenbelt Mayor J Davis** who was unable to attend tonight.

Nina Smith from Gov. O'Malley's office brought greetings and best wishes from the Governor's office and mentioned the pancake eating contest.

Presentations:

Mayor Brayman presented two-year service pins to Councilmembers Mark Cook and Wojahn.

Mayor Brayman presented parting gifts to Councilmembers Mary Cook, Hampton and Molinatto in recognition of their service to the City.

Mayor-elect Andrew Fellows made personal remarks of appreciation to Mayor Brayman and presented him with parting gifts in recognition of his service to the City. Mayor Brayman presented Mayor-elect Fellows with a new gavel.

Councilmembers Molinatto, Hampton and Mary Cook made personal remarks upon their departure from the City Council.

Mayor Brayman gave his outgoing address to the City.

Adjourn: Upon a motion from Councilmember Hampton and seconded by Councilmember Molinatto, Mayor Brayman adjourned the 32nd Council of the City of College Park at 9:23 p.m.

Swearing-in of Mayor: Deputy Clerk Sue Binder from the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office administered the Oath of Office to Andrew M. Fellows as the 12th Mayor of the City of College Park.

Swearing-in of Council: Mayor Andrew Fellows administered the Oath of Office to Christine Nagle, Patrick Wojahn, Robert Catlin, John Perry, Stephanie Stullich, Mark Cook, Marcus Afzali and Denise Mitchell and the 33rd Council of the City of College Park was seated.

Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Councilmember Perry and seconded by Councilmember Stullich to adopt the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the following item:

09-G-100 Adoption of the Mayor and Council Meeting Schedule for 2010

The motion carried 8-0-0.

Action Items:

09-G-101 Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem

On the recommendation of Mayor Fellows, a motion was made by Councilmember Wojahn and seconded by Councilmember Stulich to appoint Councilmember Catlin as the Mayor Pro Tem. The motion carried 8-0-0.

Councilmembers Nagle, Afzali and Mitchell made personal remarks upon joining the City Council.

Councilmember Nagle announced a community forum would be held on January 23 at 1:30 at Davis Hall for District 1 residents.

Mayor Fellows gave his inaugural address and discussed his priorities for the next two years.

Rev. Dr. Carol J. Jablonski gave the benediction.

Mr. Nagro reminded the residents and Council that the next City Council meeting would be a Worksession on January 5, 2010.

Following a motion by Councilmember Wojahn and seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, Mayor Fellows adjourned the meeting at 9:47 p.m. by a vote of 8-0-0.

Janeen S. Miller
City Clerk

Date Approved

Pursuant to §C6-3 of the College Park City Charter, at 7:47 p.m. on December 1, 2009, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, a motion was made by Councilmember Mark Cook and seconded by Councilmember Molinatto to enter into an Executive Session, citing the following authority:

C: Consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related to such acquisition;

G: Consult with Counsel about the possible acquisition of property and about proposed state legislation.

The motion passed 5-3-0 (Perry, Hampton and Mary Cook opposed).

Present: Mayor Brayman; Councilmembers Molinatto, Wojahn, Catlin, Perry, Stullich, Mark Cook, Hampton and Mary Cook.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Joe Nagro, City Manager; Janeen Miller, City Clerk; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney; Planning Director Terry Schum; Deputy Student Liaison Becca Lurie; Mayor-elect Fellows; Councilmembers-elect Afzali, Mitchell and Nagle.

Topic Discussed: Possible acquisition of property; Revitalization tax credit bill.

A motion was made by Councilmember Stullich and seconded by Councilmember Mark Cook to adjourn the Executive Session. Mayor Brayman adjourned the Executive Session at 8:25 p.m. by a vote of 8-0-0.
