

MINUTES
Regular Meeting Of The Mayor And Council
And
Inauguration Of The 2011 - 2013 Mayor And Council
Tuesday, December 13, 2011
8:00 p.m. – 8:40 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Fellows; Councilmembers Nagle, Wojahn, Catlin, Perry, Stullich, Cook, Afzali and Mitchell.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Joe Nagro, City Manager; Janeen Miller, City Clerk; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney; Yvette Allen, Assistant City Clerk; Terry Schum, Director of Planning; Elisa Vitale, Senior Planner; Jill Clements, Director of Human Resources; Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services; Robert Stumpff, Director of Public Works; Peggy Higgins, Director of Youth, Family and Senior Services; Marcella Morris, Student Liaison. Councilmembers-elect Robert Day, Monroe Dennis and Fazlul Kabir.

Mayor Fellows opened the meeting at 8:00 p.m. The Reverend Carol Jablonski from St. Andrews Episcopal Church gave the Invocation and Mayor Fellows led the Salute to the Flag.

Minutes: A motion was made by Councilmember Mitchell and seconded by Councilmember Cook to adopt the minutes of the November 15, 2011 Special Session, the November 22, 2011 Regular Meeting, and the December 6, 2011 Special Session. The motion passed 8 – 0 – 0.

Announcements:

Councilmember Nagle announced a stream clean up of Indian Creek on Saturday between 10 – 1 sponsored by the Anacostia Watershed Society and the Citizens to Restore Indian Creek. Meet in the parking lot of ATK systems.

Councilman Perry thanked everyone that was responsible for his reception last week.

Councilmember Stullich announced that the Cafritz developer has requested a continuance of the Planning Board hearing date to allow more time for negotiations over key issues to continue. Therefore, she will make a motion later to defer a decision of the College Park City Council until later in January.

Councilmember Cook announced the 21st annual College Park tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Saturday, January 14, 2012 from 2 – 4 p.m. at the Clarice Smith Center.

Dignitaries: Mayor Fellows acknowledged PGPD Deputy Chief Kevin Davis, Maryland State Delegate Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Major Hector Velez, SGA President Kaiyi Xie, and University Park Mayor John Tabori.

Comments from the Audience on Non-Agenda Items: None.

Presentations: Mayor Fellows invited outgoing Councilmembers Mark Cook, Christine Nagle and Jack Perry to the podium to receive a gift from the City in recognition of their service on the City Council.

Councilmembers Cook, Nagle and Perry made personal remarks.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Councilmember Stullich and seconded by Councilmember Cook to adjourn the meeting. The final meeting of the 2009 – 2011 City Council was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Swearing-In of the Mayor: Mr. James Watson representing the Clerk of the Circuit Court administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Andrew M. Fellows for his second term.

Swearing-In of the 2011-2013 City Council: Mayor Andrew M. Fellows administered the Oath of Office to Fazlul Kabir, Patrick Wojahn, Robert Catlin, Monroe Dennis, Robert Day, Stephanie Stullich, Marcus Afzali and Denise Mitchell, and the 34th Council of the City of College Park was seated.

Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Councilmember Mitchell and seconded by Councilmember Catlin to adopt the consent agenda, which consisted of the following item:

11-G-109 Adoption of the Mayor and Council Meeting Schedule for 2012

The motion carried 8 – 0 – 0.

Action Items:

11-G-110 Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem

A motion was made by Councilmember Afzali and seconded by Councilmember Wojahn to appoint Councilmember Catlin as Mayor Pro Tem.

The motion carried 8 – 0 – 0.

11-G-105 Motion to oppose A-10018, the re-zoning of the Cafritz property as Mixed-Use Town Center (MUTC) and supporting the re-zoning of the property as Mixed-Use Infill (MUI) with conditions.

A motion was made by Councilmember Stullich and seconded by Councilmember Day to take this motion off the table and withdraw it. The motion was to oppose the Cafritz site as MUTC and to support the rezoning of the property as MUI.

Councilmember Stullich said the City sent a letter to the Planning Board requesting a continuance of the Planning Board date for the Cafritz property because of the ongoing negotiations about unresolved issues. Yesterday the developer agreed to request a continuance until the January 12 meeting of the Planning Board. Thus, it seems appropriate to defer this matter to the January 3 Worksession.

The motion passed 8 – 0 – 0.

Council Comments:

Councilmember Kabir announced that the Neighborhood Watch group is sponsoring a tour of the County's new 9 – 1 – 1 call center. He then made personal remarks.

Councilmembers Dennis and Day also made personal remarks.

Mayor Fellows gave his inaugural address.

Comments from the Audience: None.

Benediction: Rev. Carol Jablonski gave the benediction.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Councilmember Stullich and seconded by Councilmember Mitchell to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Fellows adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m. with a vote of 8 – 0 – 0.

Janeen S. Miller, CMC
City Clerk

Date
Approved