

WORKSESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, April 5, 2016

Council Chambers

7:30 p.m. – 12:08 a.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Wojahn; Councilmembers Kabir, Nagle, Brennan, Dennis, Stulich (arrived at 7:35 p.m.), Day (left at 10:21 p.m.), Cook and Kujawa.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Scott Somers, City Manager; Bill Gardiner, Assistant City Manager; Janeen Miller, City Clerk; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney; Terry Schum, Director of Planning; Peggy Higgins, Director of Youth, Family and Senior Services; Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services; Steve Beavers, Community Development Coordinator; Steve Halpern, City Engineer.

Mayor Wojahn opened the Worksession at 7:30 p.m.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

- Review of items in the red folders and the weekly bulletin
- April 28 Four Cities Meeting in New Carrollton
- Bicycle Boulevard meeting April 27
- Launch of mbike UMD-City bikeshare program

AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- Remove item #s 2,3 and 4, related to the Kidwell development (Brennan/Kabir)
- Add letter of support for Pregnancy Aid Center's beautification grant application (Brennan/Kabir)
- Add Council Internship Program (Kabir/Nagle)
- Amended agenda approved (Kabir/Day) 8 – 0 - 0

AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. Discussion of a Property Use Agreement in connection with the application for a transfer of a Class B+, Beer, Wine and Liquor License for the use of Town Hall Wine and Spirits, LLC, t/a Town Hall Restaurant and Liquor, 8135 Baltimore Avenue, College Park, 20740, transfer from J&G, Inc., t/a Town Hall Restaurant.**

Guest: Ashuta Tandon and Robert Kim, Attorney.

The Property is being sold to the applicants and the liquor license will be transferred. The current owner (not this applicant) has the responsibility to expend the \$50,000 investment required by the Sunday permit; this applicant does not have any control over what the current owner does. The Sunday sale liquor license does not require food service, but this applicant has agreed to serve some food. They don't have a full kitchen, grease traps, or fryers, so will provide "snacks" that do not require a full kitchen. Exterior has been painted, lights are brighter, fence is chain link; only outstanding item is an LED sign which should be finalized in 6 weeks (just got the County permit). This applicant has another liquor store but have not operated a bar before. Tonight's request is only for the transfer of the liquor license. The applicant intends to make the store much nicer. Mr. Tandon said they intend to change the awning, add more lighting, repaint, redo the floors and ceiling,

add new shelving and selection of craft beers, wants to add windows to open up the interior, but he is not sure when he can make those improvements.

2. ~~Agenda item 16-G-37: Approval of an Amendment to the contract with NZI for construction of Randolph Macon Avenue~~ (Removed)
3. ~~Agenda item 16-G-38: Approval of an Amendment to the Declaration of Covenants with Robert Kidwell~~ (Removed)
4. ~~Agenda item 16-G-39: Approval of an Amendment to the City's Homeownership Grant program~~ (Removed)
5. **Agenda item 16-G-45: Letter in support of CB-3-2016, County legislation against hydraulic fracturing:** See Special Session minutes.
6. **Agenda item 16-G-46: Letter in support of CR-014-2016, County legislation concerning Regional Institution Strategic Enterprise ("RISE") Zone Program For the Purpose of Approving the Designation of the Greater College Park RISE Zone:** See Special Session minutes.
7. **Agenda item 16-G-47: Letter in support of a Hyattsville CDC grant application to the Redevelopment Authority for Trolley Trail signs – Guest: Stuart Eisenberg, Executive Director, Hyattsville CDC:** See Special Session minutes.

ADD Agenda item 16-G-48: Letter of support for Pregnancy Aid Center's beautification grant application: See Special Session minutes.

8. **Status update on the Aging-In-Place Task Force report – Guests Helen Barnes and Dave Dorsch:** Review of survey results (see attached PowerPoint); these results do not include seniors who live in our senior housing. Proposal in FY '17 budget to increase senior caseworker by .5 FTE. Final report due April 30.
9. **Proposed Complete Streets Policy:** Review of staff report. COG grant funded the project. Review of attached policy. Include an assessment of drainage issues as we address our streets in coordination with the County. Note that some of the street connections shown on the report diagram are controversial and/or in conflict with Sector Plan. Response: the street connections are not included in our policy; just provided as information. We are not adopting the report; it only provided information to inform our policy. Revise per discussion and adopt policy (Nagle).

ADD Discussion of Council Internship Program: Councilmembers Kabir, Kujawa, Day; Mayor Wojahn and Student Liaison Cole Holocker drafted the document. The ran it through HR and the City Attorney. Question: who would select the intern? Staff would be involved because it is a paid position, but a Councilmember would supervise. Intern needs access to staff and information. Concern about the level of staff time that might be involved. Project needs to advance something in the strategic plan. Use the existing subcommittee to select the interns. Kabir will finalize the draft report. Return to a future meeting to adopt.

10. Resolution in support of the Mayor's Challenge for Conservation: Consent Agenda

11. Discussion about how best to use City resources to support education (including, perhaps, use of the \$80,000 Education Improvement Fund): Review membership of EAC and their credentials and backgrounds. They were asked to look at how the \$80K education improvement fund could be spent and also how we can publicize good news from our schools. They made their recommendations to Council last month. Grantees are asked to submit a report at the end of the grant. Councilmember Day will abstain because his wife is on the EAC and his son attends the College Park Academy. Report on Summer Camp Scholarships: 92 applicants, 57 were new. Gave 41 scholarships (\$14,960); 35 were returning students. It would cost \$33,455 to fund everyone who applied. All are from College Park.

Cook/Nagle: Motion to table this discussion to the April 19 Worksession. Passed 4 – 3 – 1 (Stullich, Dennis, Brennan opposed; Day abstained).

12. Clarification of items from Council Rules and Procedures: Section M2 – remove the word “residents”; Council will be the conduit. Explain why items need to be done in Special Session. Do a better job of communicating when items are removed or delayed so there are no surprises. 3 stages of an agenda: Proposed (Wednesday after staff meeting); Published (Friday); Adopted (Tuesday night). Deadline to add an item not previously proposed should be Friday. Change language re: Master List: Council will make a request, it will be circulated to Council, if no objections, it will be added. Return future meeting.

13. Review of next week’s agenda: N/A

14. Review of legislation: N/A

15. Requests For/Status of Future Agenda items: Question about “Resolution in support of FBI Relocation to Greenbelt station.” Leave on agenda; ask Council Member Glaros to contact Council for background.

16. Appointments to Boards and Committees: Kujawa-Melissa Avery to CBE.

17. Mayor and Councilmember Comments: N/A

18. City Manager's Comments: N/A

Janeen S. Miller, CMC
City Clerk

Date
Approved