

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: David J. Deutsch
City Manager

SUBJECT: ***Status Report***

DATE: June 5, 2014

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1. Bowie Business Leaders Graduate from VIP Boot Camp

Two Bowie business leaders are among the 18 graduates from the FSC First conducted VIP Boot Camp and were recognized at a ceremony held Tuesday at the Newton White Mansion. The two, Robert Thompson of Old Town Hospitality (the Old Bowie Town Grille) and Marilyn Dawson, the founder and president of Special Care Face & Body Spa on Mitchellville Road, attended an intensive 12-week training program addressing all aspects of owning and operating a business. The program covered many areas of business knowledge including accounting, insurance, legal, marketing, business development, and financing with facilitation and coaching by subject matter experts. The businesses owned by these two Bowie leaders emerged pre-qualified for loans necessary to grow their businesses. A second VIP Boot Camp cohort is forming; interested Bowie business leaders should contact the FSC First at 301-883-6900. FSC First operates and manages Bowie's revolving business loan fund.

2. Primary Election - Early Voting

Registered voters may vote in an early voting center starting Thursday, June 12 through Thursday, June 19, 2014, 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. The designated early voting center in Bowie is the Bowie Community Center at 3209 Stonybrook Drive. For more information, contact the Prince George's County Board of Elections at 301-341-7300.

3. New Skid Loader with Trailer – Utilities Division

The FY15 Budget allocates for the purchase of a new skid loader with trailer to be utilized by the Utilities Division in the Public Works Department. Under Montgomery County Contract #9367000254QS with Folcomer Equipment Corporation, a Takeuchi TL8 rubber track loader with trailer can be acquired for \$58,514. The budget for this equipment is \$51,800; however, the additional \$6,714 will be split between each of the Machinery and Equipment accounts for water and sewer.

The City will not accept delivery of the equipment prior to July 1, 2014. As provided by Section 62 of the City Charter, this will serve as the required seven-day notice of intent to issue a purchase order to Folcomer Equipment Corporation for a total amount of \$58,514.

4. MGM National Harbor Career Showcase – Location Changed to Bowie State University

A major career fair to be conducted by MGM Resorts on June 19 to provide job opportunities to Prince George's residents has been relocated from Oxon Hill Manor to the campus of Bowie State University. The opportunities for Bowie residents to participate have greatly increased with the location changed to our community. An information flyer is attached

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Attachment



MGM National Harbor Career Showcase Event

Location change

Due to large response event is moving to larger facilities

Join us on the campus of
Bowie State University

14000 Jericho Park Road
Bowie, MD 20715

Thursday, June 19
11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

RSVP for event to: mdinfo@mgmresorts.com

The opening of MGM National Harbor will create thousands of Maryland career opportunities and MGM Resorts is committed to hire qualified individuals from Prince George's County.

Join MGM Resorts executives and employees at Bowie State University to learn about the vision for MGM National Harbor, gain insights on MGM as an employer, and find out which of the many different departments might welcome you as a member of the MGM team when the new resort opens in 2016.

This event will help career-minded individuals focus on the range of opportunities at the new resort. Find out if your future lies with MGM National Harbor.

