



City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road
Bowie, Maryland 20716

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2014

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, January 6, 2014 in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Mayor Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

QUORUM:

In attendance were Mayor Robinson, Mayor Pro Tem Trouth, Councilmembers Brady, Gardner, Marcos, and Turner; City Manager Deutsch, Assistant City Manager Fitzwater, City Attorney Levan, City Clerk Hernandez, Staff, the Press and the Public.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Turner moved the approval of Consent Agenda Items: A) Approval of November 25 Meeting Minutes; B) Approval of December 2 Meeting Minutes; C) Approval of Resolution R-1-14 – Accepting Bid for the Removal of the Existing Roof Systems and the Installation of New Roofing Systems on Four (4) Individual Buildings at the Wastewater Treatment Facility; D) Approval of Resolution R-2-14 – Accepting Bid Proposals for the Purchase of Computer Servers; E) Approval of Resolution R-3-14 – Adopting an Annexation Plan for the Annexation of Portions of the Adnell Woods-Huntington City Subdivision; F) Approval of Resolution R-5-14 – To Support the Prince George's County Municipal Collaboration FY 2014 MEA Empower LMI Communities Grant Application and DHCD Sustainable Communities Community Legacy Grant Application. Councilmember Brady seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Adoption of Ordinance O-1-14 – Mr. David Deutsch, City Manager, briefed Council on the Supplemental Appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014. Some of the appropriations are for the city's urban tree canopy, repair crumbling asphalt walkways on Race Track Road, to provide additional prevention counseling at the Youth Services Bureau, grants received from SHA for reconstruction of Kenhill Drive; new roof and photovoltaic system at the Bowie Senior Center, several projects at the Belair Mansion, Bowie Ice Arena, Bowie Gymnasium and Allen Pond Park.

MAYOR G. Frederick Robinson **MAYOR PRO TEM** Isaac C. Trouth

COUNCIL Dennis Brady ♦ Henri Gardner ♦ James L. Marcos ♦ Diane M. Polangin ♦ Todd M. Turner **CITY MANAGER** David J. Deutsch
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Public Hearing:

Since there were no speakers signed up to speak, Mayor Robinson declared the public hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Turner made a motion to adopt Ordinance O-1-14 Amending the Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2014. Mayor Pro Tem Trough seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Fire Chief Briefing – Fire Chief Marc Bashoor briefed Council on the latest reorganizations of the department and call volumes for 2013. A copy of the power point presentation is on file in the City Clerk's office at City Hall.

Following comments from Council, Mayor Robinson thanked the Fire Chief for taking the time to update Council.

B. Electric Vehicle Charging Station – Mr. Michael Krauthamer, Representative from NRG Energy, briefed Council on the installation of a new Electric Vehicle Charging Station that is being installed at the Bowie Town Center. A copy of the power point presentation is on file in the City Clerk's office at City Hall.

Councilmember Gardner asked how they determined to have a station installed in Bowie. Mr. Krauthamer replied that they are working with Simon Properties on installing them on their large retail locations.

Mayor Robinson thanked Mr. Krauthamer for his presentation.

C. Budget Guidance – Mr. Byron Matthews, Acting City Finance Director, provided a presentation on the budget development schedule, revenue and expenditure policies, capital financing and debt management policies, and the revenue outlook by state, county and city for FY 2015. Major factors impacting the FY 2015 Budget will be assessment values estimated to increase less than 2%, speed camera program revenue expected to decline, the continuation of reduced Highway User Revenues from the state and potential federal cutbacks.

Councilmember Brady asked if as the revenues diminish in the red light program, will staff consider abandoning the program or diminishing the placements of cameras in certain locations. City Manager Deutsch responded no, staff will discuss with Police Chief for placements of the cameras.

Mayor Robinson thanked Mr. Matthews for the presentation and summarized that the City will continue to keep a strong conservative view and maintain core services for residents.

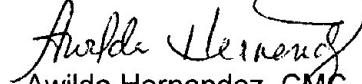
D. Belair Mansion – City Manager Deutsch summarized the staff report for the approval of Resolution R-6-14 - Waiving bids for the Belair Mansion HVAC project completion.

Mayor Pro Tem Trough made a motion to approve Resolution R-6-14. Councilmember Brady seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Pro Tem Trough moved to adjourn the City Council meeting and move into Closed Session under State Government Article §10-508(a)(4): To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State and Article §10-508(a)(7): To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter. Councilmember Turner seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Awilda Hernandez, CMC

City Clerk

**WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING
UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

Date: 1/6/14 Time: 10:10 Location: Brown City Hall Motion to close meeting made by: Trouth;
Seconded by Turner, Members voting in favor: ~~Robinson, Marcus, Trouth, Turner, Brady~~ Robinson, Gardn
Trouth, Marcus, Turner, Brady Opposed: _____ Abstaining: _____ Absent: Polunin

STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO CLOSE SESSION, State Government Article, §10-508(a) (check all that apply):

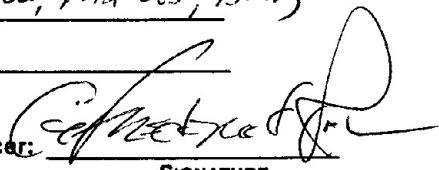
- ☐ (1) To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals;
- ☐ (2) To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business;
- ☐ (3) To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto;
- ☒ (4) To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State;
- ☐ (5) To consider the investment of public funds;
- ☐ (6) To consider the marketing of public securities;
- ☒ (7) To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter;
- ☐ (8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation;
- ☐ (9) To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations;
- ☐ (10) To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans;
- ☐ (11) To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination;
- ☐ (12) To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct;
- ☐ (13) To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter;
- ☐ (14) Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process.

FOR EACH CITATION CHECKED ABOVE, THE REASONS FOR CLOSING AND TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

- (✓) Potential development being annexed into the City to expand business
- (✓) Development proposal for commercial area to remain in city
- (✓) Potential business to locate in city

Persons attending closed session: Robinson, Trouth, Turner, Gardn, Marcus, Brady
Deutsch, Fitzwater, McInt, King, Levan

This statement is made by Mayor Robinson

Presiding Officer: 

SIGNATURE

***** FOR USE IN MINUTES OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING: *****

TOPICS DISCUSSED AND ACTION(S) TAKEN (IF ANY):

Time closed session adjourned: _____

Appendix C