

SPECIAL MEETING  
January 25, 2010

The Special Meeting of the Annapolis City Council was held on January 25, 2010 in the Council Chamber. Mayor Cohen called the meeting to order at 7:21 p.m.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Cohen, Alderwomen Hoyle, Finlayson, Aldermen Israel, Paone, Kirby, Pfeiffer, Arnett

Absent on Roll Call: Alderman Silverman arrived at 7:35 p.m.

Staff Present: City Attorney Hardwick, Planning and Zoning Director Arason, Director of Youth and Community Affairs Spencer, MIT Manager Thorn, Web Developer Young, GIS Coordinator Wampler

PRESENTATIONS

Idea Transition Teams

Chair Zina Pierre & Vice Chair Greg Stiverson presented the City Council with the Idea Team Reports and Recommendations Binder.

Award

Scott Agnew and Brandon J. Gallion representing AT&T on behalf of Digital Government and Digital Communities Magazine presented an award to the MIT Department placing 6th nationally in the small cities category.

PETITIONS, REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Comments by the general public

Samuel M. Brice, 1811 Old Annapolis Blvd, Annapolis, Maryland 21409 spoke on Ethic Laws.

Bevin Buchheister, 5 Wagner Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing Ward One Residents Association spoke in favor of R-73-09 Amended.

PUBLIC HEARING

**O-64-09 For the purpose of codifying the composition and qualification requirements of the City of Annapolis Building Board of Appeals.**

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

- Mayor Cohen declared the public hearing closed.

**O-65-09 For the purpose of adding “two-family dwelling” to the list of uses deemed to be conforming in the R2-NC District, provided they were legally existing on November 19, 1990.**

Planning and Zoning Director Arason gave a brief presentation on the ordinance.

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

- Mayor Cohen accepted into the record a Memorandum to the Annapolis City Council from the Planning Commission dated 12/3/09, and Memoranda from Jon Arason, Director, to the Planning Commission dated 11/20/09.
- Mayor Cohen declared the public hearing closed.

**O-67-09 For the purpose of rezoning a portion of parcel 725 on Tax Map 4Z, also known as 214 Duke of Gloucester Street, to C2 - Conservation Business District.**

Planning and Zoning Director gave a brief presentation on the ordinance.

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

- Mayor Cohen accepted into the record a Memorandum to the Annapolis City Council from the Planning Commission dated 1/7/10, and Memoranda from Jon Arason, Director, to the Planning Commission dated 1/2/10.
- Mayor Cohen declared the public hearing closed.

**R-67-09 For the purpose of privatizing the street rights-of-way in the Mary's Mew subdivision in accordance with Section 20.24.170 of the Code of the City of Annapolis.**

Planning and Zoning Director gave a brief presentation on the resolution.

Spoke on the resolution:

Michael Allen, 3 Milkshake Lane, Annapolis, Maryland 21403

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the resolution.

- Mayor Cohen declared the public hearing closed.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING

**R-57-09 For the purpose of declaring the City's support for the Kids at Hope Program and committing to the principles expressed in this Resolution.**

Director of Youth and Community Affairs Spencer was present and answered questions from Council.

- Alderman Paone moved to adopt R-57-10 on second reading. Seconded.
- Alderman Paone moved to amend R-57-10 as follows:

Amendment #1

On page 2, in line 1, strike "NOW" through "children" in line 22, and substitute:

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the City hereby commits to working to learn and share a set of principles and practices that can support the success of all children, without exception. In support of these principles, the City pledges, at no cost to the City, to actively support Kids at Hope by:

1. Celebrating National Kids at Hope Day/Week to rally interest around the belief, principles and practices that all children are "at hope" and all are capable of success;
2. Sponsoring, at least once a year, a four-hour seminar for all interested adults in the city to learn about the research behind Kids at Hope, its principles and

practices, and how that information can empower adults to help all children succeed, without exception;

3. Encouraging City departments that provide services to children and youth to model Kids at Hope principles and practices;

4. Communicating the City's successful experiences with the Kids at Hope initiative with other communities and organizations committed to advancing knowledge and success with all children. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

- Alderman Paone moved to amend R-57-10 as follows:

On page 2, in line 26, after the word resolution strike “.” and add “, so long as the city will not be required to spend any of its revenue.” Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

The main motion amended A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

YEAS: Mayor Cohen, Alderwomen Hoyle, Finlayson, Aldermen Israel, Paone, Silverman, Kirby, Pfeiffer, Arnett

NAYS:

CARRIED: 9/0

**R-73-09 For the purpose of establishing a citizens committee to review the City of Annapolis' alcoholic beverage laws.**

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-73-09 Amended on second reading. Seconded.
- Alderman Israel moved to amend R-73-09 as follows:

On page 2, in line 13, and strike “a report to the Mayor and City Council by April 1, 2010, stipulating any recommendations for substantive changes” and substitute “The Committee shall submit an interim report to the Mayor and City Council by April 1, 2010, stipulating any recommendations for substantive changes, with a final report due by July 15, 2010.” Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

YEAS: Mayor Cohen, Aldermen Israel, Silverman, Pfeiffer, Arnett

NAYS: Alderwoman Hoyle, Alderman Paone, Kirby

ABSTAIN: Alderman Finlayson

CARRIED: 5/3/1

- Alderman Arnett moved to amend the agenda to include R-3-10, and the appointments to R-73-09. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING**

**O-03-10 For the purpose of redefining the powers of the Art in Public Places Commission to include placement of additional signage and recognition of landscape art.**

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-03-10 on first reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Referred to the Rules and City Government Committee

The order of the agenda was amended to allow for R-3-10.

**R-3-10 For the purpose of postponing until after February 1, 2010, the submission to the Mayor of proposed memoranda**

**understanding between employee organizations and the City.**

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-3-10 on first reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

The order of the agenda was resumed.

**BUSINESS AND MISCELLANEOUS**

The order of the agenda was amended to allow for appointments.

1. Appointments

- Alderman Arnett moved to approve the Mayor’s appointments of the following individuals:

- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Whitney Chellis
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Brian Cahalan
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Chris Fox
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....John Giannetti
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Jerry Hardesty
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Lynne Jones
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Ted Levitt
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Joe Lyon
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Valerie Miller
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Sean O’Neill
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Vic Pasco
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Vince Quinlan
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Gilbert Renaut
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Chuck Weikel
- 1/25/10 Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee.....Denise Worthen

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

- Alderman Paone move to have the Chair of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board or his designee as a non-voting ex-officio member of the Alcohol Beverage Laws Committee. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

The order of the agenda was resumed.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC  
City Clerk