

REGULAR MEETING

February 11, 2008

The Regular Meeting of the Annapolis City Council was held on February 11, 2008 in the Council Chamber. Mayor Moyer called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Moyer, Alderwomen Hoyle, Finlayson, Aldermen Israel, Paone, Cordle, Stankivic, Shropshire, Arnett

Alderwoman Hoyle left at 8:54 p.m.

Staff Present: City Attorney Spencer, City of Annapolis General Assembly Representative Carter

- Alderman Arnett moved to approve the Journal of Proceedings for January 14, 2008 Regular Meeting and January 28, 2008 Special Meeting. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

PETITIONS, REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Minor Carter, 39 Southgate Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 reported on a joint Mayor, Governor and Speaker of the House public safety strategy

Timothy Kostenko, 51 Clay Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on the importance of communication, talking and dialogue.

Bob Mc Williams, 113 Chesapeake Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 spoke in support of the Eastport Task Force to Stop Gunfire Now

Cindy Cole Jacke, 514 Chesapeake Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 spoke in support of the Eastport Task Force to Stop Gunfire Now

Danielle Kinkade, 1110 Boucher Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 representing Eastport Citizens spoke in support of the Eastport Task Force to Stop Gunfire Now

Al Kirchner, 1108 Boucher Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403-0363 spoke in support of the Eastport Task Force to Stop Gunfire Now

Charles (BABE) Feldman, 1107 Miami Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 representing Stop the Gunfire in Eastport Task Force spoke in support

Darlene Gaffney, 1003 Timbercreek Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 spoke on the increase in crime in Timbercreek

Paul Foer, 921 Boucher Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 spoke in favor of a plan to end crime in the City of Annapolis

James (Joe Ghost) Taylor, 507 First Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 spoke in support of the City Council and the Annapolis Police Department's efforts to reduce crime in the City

David Leudemann, 1231 Boucher Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 spoke on crime, and in support of the Mayor and Council and a plan for action

The meeting was recessed at 8:53 p.m. and reconvened at 9:05 p.m.

CHARTER AMENDMENT

CA-02-08 For the purpose of deleting the requirement that the Director of Public Works have an engineering degree and be a registered engineer in the State of Maryland in recognition that the position evolved into one with a greater emphasis on managerial and community outreach knowledge and skills.

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt CA-02-08 on first reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Referred to Rules and City Government and Environmental Matters Committees

ORDINANCES

O-06-07 For the purpose of limiting to 180 days the time allowed to the planning process for review of legislation: making the review of all non-planning legislation, including resolutions, by all committees, boards and commissions subject to the current 120 day referral limitation; clarifying that City Council members may submit legislation to the City Council before zoning map amendments and City Code amendments are submitted to the Planning Commission; requiring the review by the Planning Commission of legislation amending Title 20; and matters generally relating to said zoning amendments.

- Alderman Israel moved to substitute O-06-07 Revised on second reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.
- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-06-07 Revised on second reading. Seconded.

The Rules and City Government Committee reported favorable w/amendments on O-06-07 Revised.

- Alderman Arnett moved to amend O-06-07 Revised as follows:

Amendment #1

On page 4, in line 12, strike “amendment” and substitute “application”

On page 4, in line 13, following “zoning map amendment shall” insert “also”

Amendment #2

On page 4, in line 40, following “a zoning map amendment shall be drafted” insert “by the Mayor”

On page 6, in line 4, following “an ordinance shall be drafted” insert “by the Mayor”

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

The main motion as amended CARRIED on voice vote.

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-06-07 Revised as amended on third reading. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

YEAS: Mayor Moyer, Alderwomen Hoyle, Finlayson, Aldermen Israel, Paone, Cordle, Stankivic, Shropshire, Arnett

NAYS:

CARRIED: 9/0

O-27-07 Revised D

For the purpose of establishing that the goal of the City is to encourage residents and business owners to use reusable and recyclable materials and to purchase goods from companies that practice energy use reduction and sequestration of carbon dioxide wherever possible; to establish an Environmental Review Committee to review existing practices of the City to assure that its policies and procedures foster the use of materials that are compostable, recyclable, and reusable, to assist the various City offices to ensure that contracting procedures do not discriminate against reusable, recycled, or environmentally preferable products without sufficient justification, to evaluate

environmentally preferable products to determine the extent to which they may be used by the City and its contractors, to review and revise contracting procedures to maximize the specification of designated environmentally preferable products where practicable, to facilitate data collection on purchases of designated environmentally preferable products, and to monitor compliance with a number of environmentally friendly standards and practices; and all matters related to the use by the City of environmentally friendly standards and practices.

- Alderman Stankivic moved to refer amendments 1-12 to O-27-08 Revised D to the Environmental Matters and Economic Matters Committees for consideration. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.
- Alderman Stankivic moved to postpone O-27-07 Revised D on second reading until 2/25/08. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

O-47-07 For the purpose, in Special Parking Districts 1 and 2, of making permanent that parking by non-residents is limited to two hours between the hours of eight a.m. and midnight, seven days a week; making the same two hour limitation applicable to Special Parking Districts 3, 4, and 5; and all matters relating to said requirements for Special Parking Districts.

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-47-07 on second reading. Seconded.

The Public Safety Committee reported favorably on O-47-07.

The main motion CARRIED on voice vote.

- Alderman Israel moved to amend O-47-07 as follows:
Amendment #1

On page 4, strike lines 14 through 18 and substitute the following: “C. **Parking** Except for the streets listed below, parking is limited to two hours between the hours of eight a.m. to six p.m. Monday through Friday, inclusive, unless the vehicle parked within this area displays the special residential parking permit. On Dean Street, Shaw Street, City Gate Lane, Water Street, Larkin Street, and German Street parking is limited to two hours between the hours of eight a.m. and midnight, seven days a week, unless the vehicle parked within this area displays the special residential parking permit.

Amendment #2

Strike line 25 on page 4 through line 8 on page 5

Amendment #3

On page 5, strike lines 10 through line 25

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

The main motion as amended CARRIED on voice vote.

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-47-07 amended on third reading. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

YEAS: Mayor Moyer, Alderwomen Hoyle, Finlayson, Aldermen Israel, Paone, Cordle, Stankivic, Shropshire, Arnett

NAYS:

CARRIED: 9/0

O-06-08 For the purpose of temporarily limiting parking on Cornhill Street to residents of Cornhill and Fleet Streets during scheduled reconstruction of the street and sidewalks; and all other matters concerning Special Residential Parking District 1.

- Alderman Stankivic moved to adopt O-06-08 on first reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Referred to Public Safety Committee

O-07-08 For the purpose of broadening the experience that the banking industry member of the Retirement Plan Commission may have and from which the City may seek investment advice; and all other matters concerning the Retirement Plan Commission.

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-07-08 on first reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Referred to Rules and City Government Committee

O-08-08 For the purpose of requiring that work crews installing or working on underground utilities have at least one member on-site that is fluent in English to so that worker may communicate safety information to company supervisors, other utility companies, firefighters, police, EMS personnel and residents adjoining the work site such as when gas, electrical, and telephone cables are unintentionally severed; and all other matters concerning safely undergrounding utilities.

- Alderman Stankivic moved to adopt O-08-08 on first reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Referred to Environmental Matters and Public Safety Committees (Travels with R-06-08)

R-06-08 For the purpose of establishing a fine for violating the new requirement that any entity installing or working on any type of underground utility shall be responsible for assuring that at least one on-site member of a work crew is fluent in English.

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-06-08 on first reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Referred to Finance Committee (Travels with O-08-08)

RESOLUTIONS

R-24-07 For the purpose of approving the extension of City water service to the Annapolis Neck Fire Station which is located in Anne Arundel County, outside the boundaries of the City of Annapolis; and matters generally relating to said water extension.

- Alderman Arnett moved to substitute R-24-07 Revised on second reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-24-07 Revised on second reading. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

YEAS: Alderwoman Finlayson, Aldermen Israel, Paone, Cordle, Shropshire, Arnett
 NAYS: Aldermen Stankivic
 ABSTAIN: Mayor Moyer
 CARRIED: 6/1/1

R-04-08 For the purpose of dedicating the revenue derived from designated parking meters to the City’s homeless.

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-04-08 on second reading. Seconded.
- Alderman Stankivic moved to postpone R-04-08 until 2/25/08 and to request a fiscal impact note from the Finance Director. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

R-07-08 For the purpose of designating the park at the southeast end of Prince George Street as the Commodore John Barry Park.

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-07-08 on first reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

R-08-08 For the purpose of designating an arts and entertainment district to encourage the economic development of the City by enabling certain residents to receive various tax incentives; expressing the support of the City for the creation of such a district; recognizing that it is possible for the City to lose tax revenue if the district designation is adopted; and specifying the expected tax incentives that would be implemented upon approval of the designation by the Maryland Secretary of Business and Economic Development.

- Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-08-08 on first reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.
- Alderman Israel moved add R-08-08 to the public hearing agenda for 2/25/08 and to request a fiscal impact note from the Finance Director. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Referred to Economic Matters Committee

BUSINESS AND MISCELLANEOUS

1. Appointments

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

2/11/08 Board of Appeals JoRon Brian Johnson
 2/11/08 Environmental Commission Cerise McKenna Vablais
 2/11/08 Housing and Community Development Jonette D. Hahn
 2/11/08 Annapolis Conservancy Board Karen Louise Jennings

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

2. Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Annapolis and United Food & Commercial Workers, Local 400

- Alderman Arnett moved to express support and tentatively approve the contract pending a fiscal impact note from the Finance Director. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

3. Standing Committees 2005 - 2009 Revised Designations by the Mayor. (City Code Section 2.16.190)

- Alderman Arnett moved to approve the Standing Committees 2005 - 2009 Revised Designations by the Mayor:

Economic Matters Committee - to consider matters affecting the economy of the city; make recommendations to the markethouse and city dock; study issues concerning historic structures in the city; and make recommendations regarding cable television service. Review proposed amendments to Title 7 & Title 17.

Alderman Ross Arnett, Chair

Alderwoman Sheila Finlayson

Alderman Richard Israel

Environmental Matters Committee - to consider matters affecting the natural environment of the city. Review all proposed amendments to title 14, title 15. Title 16 and title 19.

Alderman Julie Stankivic, Chair

Alderman Frederick M. Paone

Alderman Samuel Shropshire

Finance Committee - to Handle All Matters Relating to Preparation and Review of a Budget and Continuous Surveillance of the Budget. The Finance Committee Shall Have Power to Make Recommendations with Regard to the Mayor's Budget and Shall Submit Those Recommendations to the City Council. Review Proposed, Amendments to Title 6.

Alderman Classie G. Hoyle, Chair

Alderman Samuel Shropshire

Alderman David H. Cordle, Sr.

Housing and Human Welfare Committee - to Consider Issue of Housing and Matter Affecting the General Health, Welfare and Quality of Life of the Residents of the City. Review Proposed Amendments to Title 8 and Title 10.

Alderwoman Classie G. Hoyle, Chair

Alderwoman Sheila Finlayson

Alderman Julie Stankivic

Public Safety Committee - to Consider Matters Affecting Public Safety in the City. Review Proposed Amendments to Title 11 and Title 12.

Alderman David H. Cordle, Sr., Chair

Alderwoman Sheila Finlayson

Alderman Ross Arnett

Rules and City Government Committee - to Review and Consider All Proposed Amendments to the Charter and All Proposed Amendments Totitle 1, Title 2, Title 3, Title 4, Title 20 and Title 21.

Alderman Richard Israel, Chair

Alderwoman Classie G. Hoyle

Alderman Frederick M. Paone

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, CMC

City Clerk