

REGULAR MEETING
June 13, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Annapolis City Council was held on June 13, 2011 in the Council Chamber. Mayor Cohen called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.

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

Staff Present: Assistant City Attorney Elson, City Manager Mallinoff, Public Works Director Jarrell, Transportation Director Newell, Planning and Zoning Director Arason, Finance Director Miller

Approval of Agenda

- Alderman Paone moved to amend the agenda to postpone the public hearing on O-21-11 until the Regular Meeting of July 11, 2011. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.
- Alderman Arnett moved to amend the agenda to postpone the public hearing on O-40-10 until the Regular Meeting of July 11, 2011. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.
- Alderman Arnett moved to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda as amended. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

HONORARY MAYORAL CITATION

Martha Wood Leadership Award

Mayor Cohen invited Aldermen Paone to present to the Mary Tanner, 701 Glenwood Street, Apt # 808, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 the Mayoral Citation in recognition of being honored by the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis with the Martha Wood Community Leadership Award.

PRESENTATION

Annapolis Economic Development Corporation

Ralph Basile and Tim George representing BBP & Associates LLC, 111 Annapolis Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 gave a joint presentation on the Market House Reuse Evaluation & RFP Recommendations.

Present and testified on behalf of the AEDC:

President and Chief Executive Officer Lara Fritts, 93 Main Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

- Mayor Cohen accepted into the record the Ward One Resident's Association Market House Survey dated April 2011 submitted by Joe Budge.

PETITIONS, REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Approval of Journal of Proceedings

- Alderman Arnett moved to approve the Journal of Proceedings of the Special Meeting of June 2, 2011 and the Special Meeting of June 6, 2011. The Regular Meeting Minutes of May 9, 2011 and the Special Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2011. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Correction to May 23, 2011 Minutes

- Alderman Paone requested the roll call on May 23, 2011, on page 7, be corrected to reflect the motion to delay the vote on the Memorandum of Understanding-International Association of Firefighters (IAFF), Local 1926, Fire until the June 6, 2011 Special City Council Meeting being DEFEATED.

Comments by the General Public

Anthony Livingston, 11902 Little Seneca Parkway, Clarksburg, Maryland 20871 representing the Coalition against BIGGER Trucks, LLC spoke in opposition to Bigger Trucks bill in Congress (H.R.763/S.747) and requested the City Council write letters to the Members of Congress in opposition to H.R.763/S.747

- Mayor Cohen declared petitions, reports and communication closed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

O-11-11 Water and Sewer Rates – For the purpose of increasing the metered use water and sewer rates in the City of Annapolis.

(For the consideration of amendments discussed on 6-6-11)

Public Works Director Jarrell gave a brief presentation on the ordinance.

City Manager Mallinoff was present and answered questions from Council.

Spoke on the ordinance:

Doug Smith, 5 Revell Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing Ward One Residents Association
William Small, 702 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403
Suzanne Pogel, 137 Conduit Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Annapolis Environmental Commission

Spoke in favor of the ordinance:

Sara Arthur, Esq., 145 Main Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing Acton's Landing and Severn House Condominiums

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

- Mayor Cohen declared the public hearing closed.

At 9:32 p.m., Mayor Cohen requested Alderman Pfeiffer preside over the meeting during his absence.

At 9:38 p.m., Mayor Cohen resumed the duties of the Chair.

CA-5-11 Setting Rates for City-Owned Parking Garages and Parking Lots – For the purpose of authorizing the City Manager or his designee to establish rates and hours at City-owned parking lots and parking garages.

Transportation Director Newell gave a brief presentation on the charter amendment.

City Manager Mallinoff was present and answered questions from Council.

Spoke on the charter amendment:

William Small, 702 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403

Spoke in favor of the charter amendment:

Lara Fritts, 4B Constitution Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Annapolis Economic Development Corporation

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

Referred to the Transportation Board, Parking Advisory Commission and the Annapolis Economic Development Corporation

- Mayor Cohen declared the public hearing closed.

O-21-11 Lease of City Dock Space to Koch Duffy Boats, LLC - For the purpose of authorizing a lease of City Dock space to Koch Duffy Boats, LLC.

Postponed until the Regular Meeting on July 11, 2011.

O-37-10 Office Use in B1 Zoning District - For the purpose of establishing "Offices, business and professional, and nonprofit, educational, cultural, or civic" as a permitted use in the B1 Zoning District.

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

Spoke in favor of the ordinance:

Geoff Elliott, 1851 Mc Guckian Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing Green Pedals Bicycle Shop

Lara Fritts, 4B Constitution Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Annapolis Economic Development Corporation

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 5/19/11.
- Mayor Cohen declared the public hearing closed.

O-37-11 on second reader will be added to the Special Meeting Agenda for June 20, 2011.

O-40-10 Fence Permits – For the purpose of revising height restrictions in residential and maritime zoning districts.

Postponed until the Regular Meeting on July 11, 2011.

R-31-11 Municipal Taxing Authority - For the purpose of requesting the Maryland General Assembly to authorize Municipal Corporations to levy a one-half cent sales tax.

Finance Director Miller gave a brief presentation on the resolution.

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

- Mayor Cohen accepted into the record a letter from the City of Annapolis Financial Advisory Commission dated June 13, 2011 from Chair Frederick C. Sussman to the Mayor and City Council regarding the Report and Recommendations re: Resolution No. R-31-11.
- Mayor Cohen declared the public hearing closed.

R-32-11 Market House Short Term Lease Negotiations – For the purpose of authorizing the Mayor to negotiate short-term leases with new Market House tenants.

City Manager Mallinoff gave a brief presentation on the resolution.

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

- Mayor Cohen declared the public hearing closed.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

ORDINANCE – 2nd READER

O-44-10 Revisions to Market House and Open-Air Markets – For the purpose of revising the city code sections related to the Market House and Open-air markets.

- Alderman Arnett moved to postpone O-44-10 on second reading until the Regular Meeting on September 12, 2011. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

BUSINESS AND MISCELLANEOUS

1. Approval of Towing Licenses for Masons Towing Company & Auto Repair, JP Towing Services, LLC

City Clerk Watkins-Eldridge gave a brief presentation and answered questions from council.

- Alderman Israel moved to approve the 2011-2012 towing licenses for Masons Towing Company & Auto Repair and JP Towing Services, LLC. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 10:41 p.m.

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC
City Clerk