

REGULAR MEETING
December 12, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Annapolis City Council was held on December 12, 2011 in the Council Chamber. Mayor Cohen called the meeting to order at 7:43 p.m.

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

Staff Present: City Attorney Hardwick, City Manager Mallinoff, Finance Director Miller, Planning and Zoning Director Arason, Fire Chief Stokes, ADP Captain Della, Transportation Director Newell, Harbormaster Walters, Personal Transportation & Parking Specialist Banks

Approval of Agenda

Alderman Arnett moved to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda as amended to consider business and miscellaneous item numbers 1 and 2 after the public hearing. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

HONORARY MAYORAL CITATIONS

Martha Wood Leadership Award

Mayor Cohen invited Alderman Paone to present to Arundel Lodge, Inc., 2012 Renard Court, 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.

Citizen Services

Mayor Cohen invited Alderman Israel to present to Geoffrey Mitchell the Mayoral Citation on behalf of the citizens of Annapolis in recognition of his selfless dedication and 6 years of service to the Board of Appeals.

Mayor Cohen invited Alderman Arnett to present to James Urban the Mayoral Citation on behalf of the citizens of Annapolis in recognition of his selfless dedication and 11 years of service to the Planning Commission.

PETITIONS, REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Approval of Journal of Proceedings

Alderman Arnett moved to approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Regular Meeting November 14, 2011, the Special Meeting November 17, 2011 and, the Special Meeting November 28, 2011. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Comments by the General Public

Cindy Reiner, 1708 Smugglers Run, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Annapolis Business Association spoke in opposition to eliminating parking on Main Street

Kurt Riegel, 307 A Monterey Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke in favor of R-58-11

- Mayor Cohen declared petitions, reports and communications closed.

PUBLIC HEARING

O-22-11 Education Commission – Composition – For the purpose of revising the composition of the City of Annapolis Education Commission to

increase representation by adding four at-large members, in addition to the existing City Council representative(s) and residents from each of the eight Wards of the City.

Jeff Macris, 102 Old Crossing Lane, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Chair of the Education Commission gave a brief presentation on the ordinance.

Spoke in favor of the ordinance:

Rani Jenkins, 140 Georgetown Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401

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

- Mayor Cohen declared the public hearing closed.

The order of the agenda was amended to allow for business and miscellaneous item numbers 1 and 2.

BUSINESS and MISCELLANEOUS

1. Hiring Approval Requests

Finance Director Miller gave a brief presentation on the hiring approval requests.

The Finance Committee voted in favor of the hiring approval requests.

**HR-12-12 Position: Dock Assistants (8) & Asst. Harbormasters (8)
Department: Recreation & Parks**

Harbormaster Walters was present and answered question related to HR-12-12.

- Alderman Israel moved to approve HR-12-12. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

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

NAYS:

CARRIED: 9/0

HR-29-12 Position: CCTV Monitor Department: Police

Finance Director Miller answered questions related to HR-29-12.

APD Captain Della was also present and answered questions from Council.

- Alderman Israel moved to approve HR-29-12. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

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

NAYS:

CARRIED: 9/0

**HR-31-12 Position: Firefighter/Paramedic Department: Fire – Civil
Service Position**

Fire Chief Stokes was present and answered questions related to HR-31-12.

- Alderman Israel moved to approve HR-31-12. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

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

NAYS:

CARRIED: 9/0

**HR-32-12 Position: Bus Driver Trainee (15) Department:
Transportation**

Transportation Director Newell was present and answered questions from Council related to HR-32-12.

- Alderman Israel moved to approve HR-32-12. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

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

NAYS: Aldermen Paone

CARRIED: 8/1

**HR-33-12 Position: Civil Engineer II Department: Public Works -
Civil Service Position**

Finance Director Miller gave a brief presentation on HR-33-12 and answered questions from Council.

- Alderman Israel moved to approve HR-33-12. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

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

NAYS: Aldermen Paone

CARRIED: 8/1

**HR-34-12 Position: Fleet Maintenance Supervisor Department:
Transportation**

Transportation Director Newell was present and answered questions from Council related to HR-34-12.

- Alderman Israel moved to approve HR-34-12. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

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

NAYS: Aldermen Paone

CARRIED: 8/1

**HR-35-12 Position: Fleet Maintenance Technician I Department:
Transportation**

Transportation Director Newell was present and answered questions from Council related to HR-35-12.

- Alderman Israel moved to approve HR-35-12. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

YEAS: Mayor Cohen, Alderwomen Hoyle, Finlayson, Aldermen
Silverman, Kirby, Pfeiffer, Arnett, Israel
NAYS: Aldermen Paone
CARRIED: 8/1

**HR-37-12 Position: Senior Accountant Department: Finance – Civil
Service Position**

Finance Director Miller answered questions from Council related to HR-37-12.

- Alderman Israel moved to approve HR-37-12. Seconded.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

YEAS: Mayor Cohen, Alderwomen Hoyle, Finlayson, Aldermen
Silverman, Kirby, Pfeiffer, Arnett, Israel
NAYS: Aldermen Paone
CARRIED: 8/1

2. Budget Revision Requests

Finance Director Miller gave a brief presentation on the budget revision requests and answered questions from Council.

The Finance Committee approved the budget revision requests.

**GT-25-12 Department: Recreation and Parks Department justification for
request: To establish budget for grant awarded by State POS program for
handicapped - accessible upgrade to play area.**

&

**GT-26-12 Department: Police, Department justification for the request: To
establish budget for grant awarded by GOCCP for Forensics Unit Support**

- Alderman Arnett moved to approve budget revision control numbers GT-25-12 and GT 26-12. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

The order of the agenda was resumed.

RESOLUTION – 2nd READER

**R-59-11 Annapolis Commission on Maryland’s Constitution of 1864 and the
Abolishment of Slavery - For the purpose of establishing the
Annapolis Commission on Maryland’s Constitution of 1864 and the
Abolishment of Slavery to commemorate the understanding of the
legacy of slavery and the Constitution of 1864 for its role in abolishing
slavery in the State of Maryland through educational programs,
celebrations, lectures, and entertainment.**

- Alderman Israel moved to adopt R-59-11 on second reading. Seconded.
- Alderman Israel moved to amend R-59-11 as follows:

On page 2, following the period in line 22, insert the following three sentences:

“The Commission shall consist of eleven members. Each member shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. A majority of the members shall be residents of Annapolis.” Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

The main motion amended A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

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

NAYS:

CARRIED: 9/0

- Alderwoman Hoyle requested her name be added as a sponsor to R-59-11.

ORDINANCE and RESOLUTION – 1st READER

O-53-11 Keeping or Maintaining Chickens Within the City of Annapolis – For the purpose of allowing chickens, but not roosters, to be kept or maintained within the City of Annapolis.

Referred to the Housing and Human Welfare and the Rules and City Government Committees

R-58-11 2011 Bicycle Master Plan – For the purpose of adopting the 2011 Bicycle Master Plan as an addendum to the 2009 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Annapolis.

Personal Transportation & Parking Specialist Banks gave a brief presentation on the plan and answered questions from Council.

Referred to the Transportation Committee

BUSINESS and MISCELLANEOUS

3. Charter and Code Section 2.16.020 Place of Meeting

- Alderman Arnett moved to change the location of the City Council Work Session & Strategic Planning Retreat scheduled for Thursday, December 15, 2011 to Roger “Pip” Moyer Community Recreation Center. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC
City Clerk