



**MEETING OF
UNIVERSITY PARK MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL**

**UNIVERSITY PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
4315 UNDERWOOD STREET**

**7:30 p.m.
January 4, 2016
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER: *Mayor Lenford Carey* at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. Thompson, Mr. Gekas, Mr. Hess, Ms. Verrill, Mr. Caskey, Mr. Cron, Mr. Alvarez
Absent: None
Excused: None

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mr. Hess

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: Mr. Cron **Seconded by:** Mr. Gekas
Yea: 7 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0

4. PRESENTATION

Mayor Carey introduced Executive Director of Anacostia Trails Heritage Area/Maryland Milestones Aaron Marcavitch. Mr. Marcavitch explained that the organization preserves and promotes the history, art, culture and nature of the Anacostia region in Prince George's County. Yearly dues from the local municipalities enables access to the organization, connections with other communities and access to the Maryland Heritage Area grants. For the first time, the organization is considering fundraising to help support the design and implementation of the Heritage Center. Mr. Marcavitch asked the Council to look at the 2017 budget and see if there is potential to help fund this project.

Mr. Marcavitch explained that the memorandum of understanding for an Inter-Municipal Bikeways Working Group to be considered by the Council encourages the local municipalities to talk to each other. This agreement requires a signature from Mayor Carey on behalf of the Town.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

6. PERMITS

**A. BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT A DECK WITH STEPS
(Horton, 4111 Woodberry Street) Ward 7**

Motion: To approve the request for a building permit application to construct a 10' x 17' deck with steps on Lot 5, Block 31 and part of Lot 1 at 4111 Woodberry Street.

Moved by: Mr. Alvarez **Seconded by:** Mr. Thompson
Yea: 7 **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

7. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (MES) RECYCLING CONTRACT WITH OVERRIDE OF BID PROCEDURES (*Reconsideration*)

Motion: Per Section 2-105 (b) of the Town Ordinances, to override sealed bid procedures and approve the contract with Maryland Environmental Services (MES) for recycling services at the Prince George's County facility in substantially the form attached. MES is a quasi-governmental contractor and the sole source provider of recycling services at the Prince George's County facility. Good cause to override the sealed bid procedure is that otherwise the town would have to contract with, and haul to locations outside of the county at greater cost and would be obligated to haul to that facility exclusively.

Moved by: Mr. Cron **Seconded by:** Mr. Caskey
Yea: 6 **Nay:** 1 (Hess) **Abstain:** 0

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR AN INTER-MUNICIPAL BIKEWAYS WORKING GROUP

Motion: To authorize the Mayor to sign a Memorandum of Understanding for an Inter-Municipal Bikeways Working Group in substantially the form provided.

Moved by: Mr. Hess **Seconded by:** Mr. Caskey
Yea: 7 **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

B. LETTER IN SUPPORT OF A TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Motion: To authorize the Mayor to send a letter to County Councilmember Dannielle Glaros urging that the FY 2017 budget for the Prince George's County Planning Department include funding and direction to acquire or contract for traffic management expertise in support of development of a Transportation Demand Management District and Plan encompassing the Prince George's Plaza Area and environs. The letter is to be circulated to the Council prior to sending.

Moved by: Mr. Hess **Seconded by:** Mr. Gekas
Yea: 7 **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

C. BUDGET TRANSFER RE: UPGRADE OF TOWN COMPUTER SERVER AND FIREWALL
(*Introduction*)

Motion: To approve the introduction to transfer \$14,000 from *Reserved Designated - Cable Capital Equipment* to *IT Costs* to fund the expense necessary to upgrade the Town's computer server and firewall.

Moved by: Ms. Verrill **Seconded by:** Mr. Hess
Yea: 7 **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *December 14, 2015 as modified.*

Moved by: Mr. Alvarez
Yea: 7

Seconded by: Mr. Caskey
Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

10. DEPARTMENT AND COUNCIL REPORTS

A. MAYOR'S REPORT

- Met with State Highway Administration (SHA) to discuss stormwater issues along Baltimore Avenue at Van Buren Street and south of Wells Run. SHA indicated that they can and will address both of the locations and the project is expected to be completed within a four-year period.
- On January 6, the Board of Public Works for the state of Maryland will meet and one of the matters of discussion is transfer of land for the landing of "the crossing" from the Riverdale Park Station site at Van Buren Street across the railroad tracks to Riverdale Park and the University of Maryland near the M Square Office Park.
- Vice Present for Administration and Finance at the University of Maryland Carlo Colella,, County District 3 Councilmember Dannielle Glaros and City of College Park City Manager Scott Somers will attend the January 11, 2016 Council meeting. The topic of discussion will be development update for the University of Maryland and the City of College Park.
- On February 16, there will be a hearing before the District Council in regard to the Prince George's Plaza Transit District Development Plan.
- Topics to be discussed at the February 1 Council Meeting: 1) Mosquito Program; 2) Grants to Civic Groups.
- In reference to the November dog incident, the Mayor has asked the Town Attorney to represent the Town at the Animal Commission hearing scheduled for February 13, 2016.

B. COUNCIL REPORTS

Tree Committee - Mr. Alvarez

Next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2016.

Police, Traffic and Public Safety - Mr. Alvarez

Next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2016

Development Overview Committee - Mr. Hess

Next meeting is scheduled for January 6, 2016. Mr. Steve Hurtt will explain transfer of development rights at the January 6 meeting.

A topic of discussion at the previous meeting is designing better pedestrian access to local schools to alleviate traffic.

C. REPORT ON POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES ~ *Chief Wynnyk*

Distributed the December 2015 Crime Report.

11. ADJOURNMENT by consent at 9:10 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Lenford C. Carey, Mayor