



City of Glenarden
Work Session
April 4, 2016 - 7:00PM
Minutes

Attendees:

Council President – Maxine Phifer
Council Vice President – James Herring
Councilwoman – Elaine Carter
Councilwoman – Judy Diggs
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood
Mayor Dennis C. Smith

- Call to Order at 7:08PM
- Invocation led by Councilwoman Phifer
- Roll Call

Councilwoman Carter - Present
Councilwoman Diggs – Present
Councilwoman Eason – Present
Councilwoman Jenkins – Absent
Councilwoman Smallwood – Present
Councilman Herring – Present
Councilwoman Phifer – Present

We have a Quorum

- Motion to Adopt Agenda

Councilwoman Diggs motion to adopt the agenda with additions to agenda –
Seconded by Councilwoman Carter (Go into Closed Session after the Work Session,
Carraway letter from Administration, Permit Review Committee conduct and
Glenarden Community Clean-up Day)

Councilwoman Carter - Yes
Councilwoman Diggs – Yes
Councilwoman Eason – Yes
Councilwoman Jenkins – Absent

Councilwoman Smallwood – Yes
Councilman Herring – Yes
Councilwoman Phifer – Yes
6 Yes

Agenda Approved

- Presentation
 - Ines Vega c/o D. R. Horton - WTC at Glenarden Request to Amend Conditions with Matthew Tedesco from McNamee Hosea Attorney & Advisors
 - To accommodate the Nordstrom Rack with triggers and the Multi-family units built somewhere else, but not by DR Horton
 - Request still exist to build multi-family homes
 - Land owned by Petrie
 - Park is a joint development by Petrie and Horton
 - Why the builder did not build the brick wall has a whole (closing off 11th Street)
 - What would it take to build an additional walk – unsure and would be timely and costly – a fence would not require an amendment from MNCPP
 - Councilwoman Eason offer that the residents take their complaints to the next HOA meeting
 - Possible build a fence to close the gap in the brick wall
 - Final answer will be given to the Council by the 15th of April
 - Opening of the Glenarden Parkway - paved and calming traffic devise (all things are in place for opening) Ms. Vega offers that they will reach out to Mr. Tobias when they are ready to open Glenarden Parkway
 - Basketball court issue – who gave permission to Balk Hill community to use the basketball court at WTC- DR Horton will notify the Balk Hill residents
 - Make the City Attorney, Elissa Levan a person of record
 - Here to explain the letter to the Council, not requesting approval

- Recommendation of the CSP's and DSP's from the City Attorney or this advisement should be under the advisement of Grace Fielder – see if the City has a contract with Grace Fielder
- Review of Minutes
 - 02-08-2016 Regular Meeting
 - 03-07-2016 Work Session

Offer any edits to the Council Clerk before the Monday Regular Meeting

- CR-01-2016 A CHARTER RESOLUTION TO AMEND ARTICLE IV, "THE MAYOR", SECTION 404, "POWERS AND DUTIES GENERALLY"; ARTICLE V, "CITY MANAGER", SECTION 503, "POWERS AND DUTIES", AND SECTION 505, "REMOVAL FROM OFFICE"; ARTICLE VIII, "FINANCE", SECTION 833, "REMOVAL FROM OFFICE"; AND ARTICLE IX, "PERSONNEL", SECTION 901, "AUTHORITY TO EMPLOY PERSONNEL", SECTION 903, "CITY ATTORNEY", AND SECTION 907, "REMOVAL OF CHIEF OF POLICE"
 - To restore authority back to the Mayor
 - Restores the Mayor and City Manager authority for recommendation to the Council for Department Heads for personnel matters
 - Not efficient government that the Mayor cannot spend money without the Council approval
 - Separate Legislation and Administrative duties

Super Majority – City Charter is a very important point of reference – a 5/7 passing vote

As a point of reference, Councilman Herring offers that what happened in the past – where the City attorney was released with-out any reason from the Administration to the Council

Will Come to the Floor

- R-36-2016 A Resolution to Approve the Acquisition of a Home Depot Credit Card
 - Mr. Tobias speaks to the visa card
 - Councilwoman Diggs – offers not to incur any additional debt
 - Councilwoman Phifer – will support, for example the staples card, which is in order

Councilwoman Carter confirms that the process for using the card is adhered to - make sure planning and controls are being followed

Councilwoman Smallwood – will support

Councilman Herring – will support as long as the balances are paid in full, month to month and also that a commitment from finance that a check run is done every week

Councilwoman Eason – will not support

Will come to the Floor

- R-37-2016 A Resolution to Issue Building Permits for Construction of Single Family Dwellings on Eight Lots in the Woodmore Towne Centre at Glenarden

Councilwoman Phifer – Committee has requested a meeting with the Developer, Builder and Planner; and that is not a part of their authority

Councilwoman Carter – perhaps the committee members need to be replaced

Councilwoman Diggs – Request a response from Mayor Smith for the conduct of the PRC members and that the PRC members are over stepping their authority

Request a meeting with the PRC members to speak on their duties and responsibilities

Will Come to the Floor

- R-38-2016 A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Fast Track the Glenarden Tree Plan Project

City is not paying for any of the work – this legislation is not necessary

Waive the bid process – drop this one and right another piece of legislation

Will not Come to the Floor

- Mayor's Report

- Letter to the citizens was approved by the LGIT Attorney
- Councilwoman Smallwood request when is the Mayor coming forth to make statements to the Residents
- Councilwoman Carter – request where the City Treasurer presence
 - Will withdraw the request of the Closed meeting
- City Manager’s Report (See Report)
 - Consensus to use the VA Memorial Park for the Memorial Day Holiday
 - Councilwoman Phifer –Yes
 - Councilwoman Diggs –Yes
 - Councilwoman Eason – Yes
 - Councilwoman Carter-Yes
 - Councilwoman Jenkins – Yes

Permission Granted

- Bill Butler contract request and attorney needs RFP – but can not find the Butler RFP and Mr. Butler was the only company to answer the request. Administration has the insurance. Have the Council President to have the City Attorney to write the contract
- Inventory for the City (need inventory stickers)
- Consensus for the 6ft fence variance
 - Councilwoman Eason – Yes
 - Councilwoman Diggs -Yes
 - Councilwoman Carter – Yes
 - Councilwoman Smallwood – Yes
 - Councilman Herring - Yes
 - Councilwoman Phifer - Yes

Granted

Mr. Tobias to Prepare a resolution for Monday meeting

- Council request to hire a Full time Code Enforcement Officer
 - Councilwoman Carter – request why the Executive Assistant is doing human resources person or finance duties with respect to health benefits
 - Address the issue to the Gold Room Coordinator, that only Glenarden residents can use the WTC Community Space
 - Gold room staff should be cleaning the WTC Community Space
- Chief of Police Report **(See Report)**
 - Preparation for the Summer months – more policing to the hot spots in City
- May 14th for Glenarden City Clean-up Day – All day – dumpsters (4)
 - All dumpsters at Barlow Rd (dead end street) – check id
 - Deliver dumpsters on Saturday between 10-12 noon
 - Dumpsters leave before dark
 - Consensus: 5 dumpster needed
 - Councilwoman Smallwood – Theresa Banks Community Center Aqua Manager wants to address the Council on a few pool issues - Council has a consensus to speak with the Aqua Manager
 - Councilwoman Carter discloses that her daughter works with Penn Rose
- City Treasurer’s Report **(See Report)** Treasurer not in attendance
- Topic of Discussion
 - R-28-2016 A Resolution to Issue Building Permits for Hampton Inn & Suites **(TABLED IN MARCH)**
 - Woodmore New Management Company
- Adjourn at 11:04PM

Submitted by:

Toni Taylor, Council Clerk