



# City of Glenarden

*“City on the Move”*

## Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, October 17, 2022

<b>Meeting Purpose: Council Public Hearing</b>		
<b>Date:</b> 10/17/2022	<b>Time:</b> 7:30PM	<b>Room:</b> Hybrid (In-Person & Zoom)
<b>Meeting Chair:</b> Vice President Angela D. Ferguson		<b>Scribe:</b> Deputy Council Clerk – Robin Bailey-Walls

*P= present; T = present via teleconference; A= absence R= Resident G = Guest*

	City Council	City Mayor	
P	Councilwoman Erika L. Fareed	Mayor Cashenna Cross	P
P	Councilwoman Kathleen J. Guillaume		
P	Councilman Maurice A. Hairston	<b>City Administration</b>	
P	Councilman James A. Herring	City Manager Consuella Barbour	P
P	Councilwoman Robin Jones		
P	Council Vice President Angela D. Ferguson	<b>City Administration Staff</b>	
A	Council President Derek Curtis, II	Chief Regis Bryant	P
		Public Works Director Charles Simpson, Jr. (attendance not required)	
	<b>City Council Staff</b>	Treasurer Dean Stewart	P
A	Council Clerk Victoria Lewis	HR Specialist Karen Shoultz	P
P	Council Deputy Clerk Robin Bailey-Walls	Webmaster/Media Specialist Monay Ward (attendance not required)	T
	<b>Residents</b>	<b>Residents</b>	
T	Armstrong	Anthony Powell	P
T	Gary Edmonds	William Rose	T
T	Khyree	Carolyn Smallwood	P
T	Tonya	Celeste Wilson	P
P	James McKenzie		

- I. **Call to Order** – Vice President Angela D. Ferguson
- II. **Invocation** - CW Jones
- III. **Roll Call** – Deputy Council Clerk Bailey-Walls
- IV. **Motion to Adopt Agenda**  
 Motioned to Approve by CW Guillaume; Seconded by CM Hairston  
Vote:  
 CW Fareed                      Yes  
 CW Guillaume                Yes  
 CM Hairston                    Yes  
 CM Herring                     Yes  
 CW Jones                        Yes  
 Vice President Ferguson    Yes  
Vote Carries 6/0



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### V. Legislation: First Reading(s) by Deputy Clerk Bailey-Walls

- O-02-2023 An Ordinance to Adopt the Procedures for Residential Parking Permit Guidelines
- O-03-2023 An Ordinance to Amend §149-22.1 Commercial vehicle parking restrictions

### VI. Reports

#### ➤ Mayor’s Report

- Requested City Council to support: Follow-up on actions necessary for
- traffic Calming measures, Ordinance on Traffic regulation, Sensys Gatsco
- has per city council request, provided success metrics relative to other jurisdictions over a month ago.
- Requested a formal decision on the contractor’s offer by letter to Mayor’s Office.
- Requested that a lobbyist be secured
- Interviewed project manager candidates for the ARPA Funds reporting.
- Conducted Swearing in ceremony for two new Officers for the City of Glenarden Police Department
- Mayor Cross inquired about the status of the Project Manager for the American Rescue Plan Act project; she doesn’t know if Council also interviews the candidates
  - Mayor Cross stated that Council is holding up the process as there is a critical need for funds to be made available and that no status has been provided by the City Manager
  - Mayor Cross also stated that an email had been sent to Council and thought that would result in a Resolution to come forth for the PM position
- CM Herring, Vice President Ferguson and CW Jones concurred that the responsibility of Mayor Cross to be kept abreast of the status of the PM position, as Mayor Cross also supervises the City Manager;
  - Vice President Ferguson reiterated that an email doesn’t constitute the writing of a Resolution
  - CW Fareed and Vice President Ferguson agreed that the City Manager has been extremely helpful and has provided good service to the citizens.
  - CW Guillaume discussed the Good Samaritan Hardship legislation that is forthcoming and strongly rejected the impression that Council is at fault.

#### ➤ City Manager’s Report

- Mrs. Barbour reported that two candidates for the PM position had been interviewed. A decision was made and she and Mrs. Shultz are waiting for the candidate to go through the security clearance process.
- Infrastructure Request from Citizens
  - The request was about the run-off on Hamlin. The contractor has given a quote of \$17, 940 to correct the problems
  - CM Herring added that Council/City Manager that there is grant money available to address these issue
- Homestead Tax Credit must be responded to ASAP
  - CM Herring made note of the letter received from the NAACP. The letter had inaccurate information; no research or due diligence was done prior to sending the letter
  - CW Guillaume equated the tactics as “Trump like” the letter wasn’t factually based and had a false narrative.
  - W Fareed stated the actions are nefarious and reiterated that the Charter Review Process has just begun. On Thursday, citizens will have an opportunity to provide feedback on the discussion about the form of government
  - She also talked about the various sections in the Charter that are conflicting
  - She also noted about a ten-year schedule to review of the Charter has been suggested
- Mrs. Barbour also reported that there have been three quotes given for removal of three trees in the MLK Park.
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- There are two candidates for the Cable Station contract; Monay did an outstanding job managing this and the Newsletter.
- **Treasurer's Report** - August 18 – September 19
  - Completed Payroll Processing for Pay Period ended 08/20, and 09/03.
  - Completed Bill Payment for weeks 08/26, 09/02, 09/09, and 09/16. 3.
  - Continued progress in scanning and filing accounting documents. 4.
  - Interviewed for the replacement of the Assist. Staff Accountant. – TBC
  - Payments for the TDA on Retirement Account for 08/20, and 09/03.
  - Payment of TDA Charges for the period 09/2022
  - Worked on the FLAP and GLI Schedule to bring up to account and resolved issues with MOA. 8. Reconciled other AR & AP and made adjustments based on findings
  - Prepared Treasurers Report of July 2023.
  - Completed Reconciliations for Bank Accounts.
  - Received and deposited Personal Property Tax, including PPTax-Utilities.
  - Prepared Billing for Personal Property Taxes for more recent certification
- **Chief of Police's Report**
  - No crime regarding the Hondas this month
  - There were no curfew violations

## VII. Citizen Comments

- Anthony Powell suggested there be an assistant treasurer, assistant city manager and a deputy chief added to the staff. Charter changes should be placed on the ballot. Mr. Powell (Ward 1) suggested tabling the legislation and to conduct more research; He feels specific groups are being targeted
- Carolyn Smallwood (Ward 1) is thankful for the Ordinances and is in agreement with both of them
- Mr. McKenzie is against the commercial parking legislation; request the Council to find a common ground for additional discussions
- CM Herring reminded all that the Cancer Awareness Program is on October 29<sup>th</sup>.

**VIII. Adjourn** – The meeting adjourned at 9:46PM.

## Council Reserves the Right to Go in to Closed Session Anytime During a Public Meeting.

**Please Note:** Pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, State Government Article Section 10-508(a), the Council by majority vote may retire to executive or closed session at any time during the meeting. Should the Council retire to executive or closed session the chair will announce the reasons and a report will be issued at a future meeting disclosing the reasons for such closed session.