



City of Glenarden  
Public Hearing  
November 19, 2019 –7:00PM  
**Agenda**

**Attendees:**

Council President – James Herring  
Council Vice President – Celestine Wilson  
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason  
Councilwoman - Angela Ferguson  
Councilwoman – Robin Jones  
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood  
Councilman – Donjuan Williams

- Call to Order at 7:00PM
- Invocation led by Councilwoman Celestine Wilson
- Roll Call

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**We have a Quorum**

- Motion to Adopt Agenda

Councilwoman Smallwood motion to adopt the agenda – Seconded by  
Councilwoman Wilson

Council President – James Herring - Yes  
Council Vice President – Celestine Wilson - Yes  
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason - Yes  
Councilwoman – Angela Ferguson - Yes  
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes  
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood - Yes  
Councilman – Donjuan Williams – Yes

**7 Yes - Approved**



- Citizens comments on December Legislation (five minutes)

Elaine Carter questions if the Ordinance regarding the procedures for residential parking permit guidelines is city wide or just certain streets. Also, questions whether the granting gratis for the Gold Room is on a case by case bases.

Councilwoman Smallwood answers that the ordinance regarding the procedures for the residential parking permit guidelines is for Leslie Avenue and Johnson Avenue; and does not include Reed Street.

Councilman Herring notes that the Resolution regarding the Civic Association request for gratis; that three councilmembers will need to recuse themselves for the Civic Association vote, due to their membership with the Civic Association.

Councilwoman Jones notes the legislation R-15-2019 that was tabled is pending legal comments from the City Attorney, Kevin Karpinsky.

Councilman Herring notes that the Gold Room is now open for business.

Councilman Herring notes that there were only two bids received for the architectural engineer services; and one was out of state and the other was local; and the local architectural engineer firm will be vetted by the City Attorney.

Councilman Williams notes that the surplus legislation is from the Gold Room and Public Works Department.

Maxine Phifer speaks toward the Ethics Committee appointments and if they live in the City. And when was the Gold Room Coordinator position filled. Also, notes that three persons from the Glenarden community have recently passed away.



Councilman Herring notes that both appointees live in the City of Glenarden. The Gold Room Coordinator began the full-time position in the month of August 2019. And has already booked at least 2/3 contracts for the Gold Room and that she is also booking the Woodmore Community Space for smaller events.

Councilman Herring notes that the snow removal contract will need to be addressed in an emergency contract legislation.

Leo C. Wilson, Sr. agrees that the snow contract needs to be a priority for the City. And that the City Attorney needs to be apart of the Woodmore Community Space air conditioning issue.

Elaine Carter suggest that a city-wide Public Forums be conducted for the discussion of the discussion of the form of government and to also invite the University of Maryland staffers to be involved in the Public Forums.

Councilman Williams speaks on the form of government and that the checks and balances are not in place to have an effective government currently.

Leo C. Wilson, Sr. wants to bring to the community that the previous Council took the powers from previous mayor and the current Council has not changed that Charter Resolution to date. Mr. Wilson also offers that Mayor Edward Este is totally out of control and something needs to be done about the current Mayor. Possibly an election recall petition can be done by the citizens.

Maxine Phifer also notes that something needs to be done about the Mayor and legislation is too personal and it needs to be less ambiguous.

- Legislation
  - O-XX-2020 An Ordinance to adopt the Procedures for Residential Parking Permit Guidelines
  - R-XX-2020 A Resolution to Declare City Property as Surplus and Approve Auction of the Property



- R-XX-2020 A Resolution to Approve the Appointment of Lonnie Scales to the Glenarden Housing Authorities Commission
  - R-XX-2020 A Resolution Appointing Cashenna Cross to the Ethics Commission
  - R-XX-2020 A Resolution to Approve a Contract with Charles P. Johnson & Associates, Inc. for Architectural and Engineering Services
  - R-XX-2020 A Resolution to Grant Glenarden Civic Association Use of the Gold Room
  - R-XX-2020 A Resolution to Grant the Glenarden American Legion Auxiliary Unit 275 Use of the Gold Room
  - R-XX-2020 A Resolution Authorizing Purchase of 2019 Holiday Cards
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- Adjourn at 8:20PM

Submitted by:

M. Toni Taylor