



# City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road  
Bowie, Maryland 20716

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021

### CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, March 15, 2021, virtually. Mayor Adams called the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m. due to technical difficulties.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Mayor Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### QUORUM:

In attendance were Mayor Adams, Councilmembers Boafo, Esteve, Harrison, Ndebumadu, and Woolfley, City Manager Lott, Assistant City Manager Mears, City Attorney Levan, City Clerk Hernandez, and Staff.

### CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

1. Dorothy Van Doren, Victoria Heights Dr – Comment attached.

### CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

Councilmember Harrison motioned to appoint Ms. Bisola Owolabi to the Education Committee for a two-year term. Mayor Pro Tem Boafo seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0. Mayor Adams swore-in Ms. Owolabi.

### CITY MANAGERS REPORT:

City Manager Lott reported that staff is in the final preparation stages of the FY 2022 budget and making sure that all City employees get vaccinated.

### CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Woolfley made a motion to approve items A) Approval of March 1 Regular Meeting Minutes; B) Approval of Proclamation P-4-21 Recognizing the 64<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ghana's Independence; C) Adoption of Resolution R-13-21 Accepting Bid for the Construction of the Northview Drive Mid-Block Crossing; D) Adoption of Resolution R-14-21 Waiving the Competitive Bidding Requirements of Section 61 "Purchasing and Contracting" of the Charter of the City of Bowie to Allow the City Manager to Enter Into an Annual Support Agreement with ConvergeOne to Provide Managed Services on the Telephone System; E) Adoption of Resolution R-15-21 Authorizing the Waiving of Bidding Requirements to Allow for the Purchase of a Street Sweeper by Piggybacking a General Services Administration Bid; F) Adoption of Resolution R-16-21 Accepting a Bid Proposal for Jericho Park Trail. Mayor Pro Tem Boafo seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Adoption of Resolution R-6-21 Adopting the Housing and Community Development CARES Act Amendment: Substantial Amendment to the FY2019-2023 (HUD FY2018-2022) Consolidated Plan, FY2021 (HUD FY2020) Amended Annual Action Plan, and the Amended Citizen Participation Plan – Grants Manager George Jones, summarized the staff report. As an entitlement community, the City of Bowie (“City”) received \$209,962 in Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus (CDBG CV-3) funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

**Public Hearing:**

Since there were no comments received, Mayor Adams declared the Public Hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Harrison motioned to adopt Resolution R-6-21 and send the plan to HUD. Mayor Pro Tem Boafu seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

B. Discussion on City of Greenbelt request for cost-sharing of expenses related to SCMaglev DEIS Review – City Manager Lott reported to Council that the City was told by the Governor’s Office that SCMaglev will not be going near or through the incorporated City of Bowie. He also stated that he has not had a conversation about this request with any staff members of the City of Greenbelt, he received this letter via email and was asked to pass it to Council.

Council asked City Manager Lott to reach out to the City of Greenbelt to get more information about the request.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Pro Tem Boafu motioned to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting. Councilmember Harrison seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk

## Awilda Hernandez

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**From:** Dorothy Van Doren <devandor3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 12, 2021 12:14 PM  
**To:** cityclerk  
**Subject:** {EXTERNAL}: Services

Hi! First I want to say what great services our city provides to us and thanks to all who have any part in providing these services. You all deserve a big thankyou as we have all gone through very different times in the past year and although it hasn't fully passed yet, we look to be turning some corners.

My only suggestion is that sometime in the near future a day can be scheduled like we have for shredding and electronics disposal for the purpose of disposing of anything we have hanging around our garages like old paint, unused garden supplies, etc. I once went to the landfill station to dispose of such items and felt like I was leaving earth and had arrived on another planet. I really don't wish to drive over there again to just dispose of a couple of partial cans of paint and three almost empty bottles of plant fertilizer, etc. I doubt that many others want to do that either. So hopefully by end of summer maybe one of these events can be held within Bowie - high school/library grounds, city property off Rt450 or Bowie Baysox Stadium. It would be greatly appreciated by many and very helpful to our environment. Again, thanks to all for your dedication to providing wonderful services to us.

Cheers! And Good Health!  
Dorothy Van Doren  
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