



City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road
Bowie, Maryland 20716

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2016

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, February 1, 2016 in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Mayor Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

QUORUM:

In attendance were Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Esteve, Glass, Marcos, Polangin and Truth; City Manager Deutsch, Assistant City Manager Fitzwater, City Attorney Levan, City Clerk Hernandez, Staff, the Press, and the Public.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Robinson thanked staff for the remarkable job performed during the snow storm last week.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Deutsch reported on the incurred costs for the storm. As of this morning the cost is estimated at \$375,000, of which \$270,000 was spent on contractors and about \$92,000 in overtime for City employees. Governor Hogan has declared a state of emergency so there is a potential for reimbursement on some of the expenses from FEMA. Before the storm, the City's Code Compliance officers posted notices on cars that were parked on certain streets to remove them in order for plowing to be easier.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Truth moved the approval of Consent Agenda Items: A) Approval of January 19 Meeting Minutes; B) Approval of Resolution R-4-16 Approving Variance Application BV-8-15, a Request by Mr. Peter Hill for a Variance to Construct a 238 Square Foot Addition Onto the Rear of the Existing Dwelling and Increase Lot Coverage to 25.46% at 16118 Pointer Ridge Drive; C) Approval of Resolution R-5-16 Approving Variance Application BV-9-15, a Request by Ed and Kimberly Sisco to Allow the Construction of Approximately 92 Linear Feet of Six Foot High Fencing Along Old Chapel Road When, According to the Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance, Such Fencing Shall Not be More Than Four Feet High, at 4104 Chapel Forge Drive; D) Introduction of Ordinance O-2-16 Amending Bowie City Code Chapter 2, "Administration", Article II, "Personnel System" to Provide for an Appeal to the Court of Special Appeals From the Final Judgement of the Circuit Court in a Case

MAYOR G. Frederick Robinson **MAYOR PRO TEM** Henri Gardner

COUNCIL Michael P. Estéve ♦ Courtney D. Glass ♦ James L. Marcos ♦ Diane M. Polangin ♦ Isaac C. Truth **CITY MANAGER** David J. Deutsch
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Arising From a Decision by the Board of Personnel Appeals. Councilmember Polangin seconded the motion and it carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

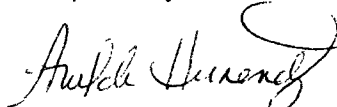
A. City Sustainability Plan Update – Melissa Lindsgo with Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission and Lorraine and Peter Doo with Doo Consulting, LLC updated Council on the status of creating a Sustainability Plan for the City. The project kicked off in August with a variety of steps taken to reach out to the community to encourage participation. The next community workshop is scheduled for February 13th at Kenhill Center and on May 2nd they will conduct a visioning exercise with Council.

Mayor Robinson thanked them for their presentation.

ADJOURNMENT AND MOVE TO CLOSE SESSION:

Councilmember Trough moved to adjourn the City Council meeting and move into Close Session, under General Provisions Article, §3-305(b)(1): To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals; §3-305(b)(3): To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related to the acquisition and §3-305(b)(7): To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter. Councilmember Glass seconded the motion and it carried 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Awilda Hernandez, MMC
City Clerk

**WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING
UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

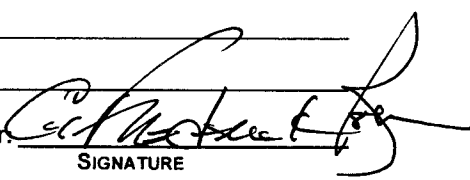
Date: 2/1/16 Time: 8:30pm Location: City Hall Motion to close meeting made by: Truth
 Seconded by Glass Members voting in favor: Robinson, Polangin, Esteve, Truth
Marcos, Glass Opposed: _____ Abstaining: _____ Absent Gardner

STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO CLOSE SESSION, General Provisions Article, §3-305(b) (check all that apply):

- (1) To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals;
- (2) To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business;
- (3) To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto;
- (4) To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State;
- (5) To consider the investment of public funds;
- (6) To consider the marketing of public securities;
- (7) To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter;
- (8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation;
- (9) To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations;
- (10) To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans;
- (11) To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination;
- (12) To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct;
- (13) To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter;
- (14) Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process.

FOR EACH CITATION CHECKED ABOVE, THE REASONS FOR CLOSING AND TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

§3-305(b) (9) Collective bargaining negotiations
 §3-305(b) (3) Acquisition of Real Property
 §3-305(b) () Legal Advice on a Legal Matter

This statement is made by Mayor Robinson, Presiding Officer: 
 SIGNATURE

WORKSHEET FOR USE IN CLOSED SESSION (CHECKLIST OF DISCLOSURES TO BE MADE IN MINUTES OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING- NOT A PART OF THE CLOSING STATEMENT)

PERSONS ATTENDING CLOSED SESSION: Robinson, Truth, Glass, Polangin, Esteve, Marcos, Deutsch, Fitzwater, Loran, Glover
 TOPICS ACTUALLY DISCUSSED _____

ACTION(S) TAKEN (IF ANY) AND RECORDED VOTES: _____

TIME CLOSED SESSION ADJOURNED: _____
 PLACE OF CLOSED SESSION Bowic City Hall
 PURPOSE OF CLOSED SESSION: Collective Bargaining, Acquisition of Real Property, Legal Advice on a Legal matter.
 STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THE CLOSED SESSION: §3-305(b) (9); () ; ()
 MEMBERS WHO VOTED TO CLOSE: _____