



City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road
Bowie, Maryland 20716

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2018

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, June 4, 2018 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, Gardner (Arrived 8:03p.m.) Glass, Marcos, Truth and Woolfley; City Manager Lott, Assistant City Manager Mears, City Clerk Hernandez, City Attorney Levan, City staff, the Press, and the Public.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/AMENDMENTS:

Councilmember Esteve and Councilmember Woolfley requested that Consent Agenda items F, H, I and J be moved under New Business for further discussion.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

1. Linda Tucker, Ridgeview Lane – Spoke in regards to the City not providing closed captioning on the website or on videos of Council meetings as well as verbatim minutes.

CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

1. Councilmember Glass made a motion to appoint Tony Nichols to the Community Recreation Committee. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
2. Councilmember Glass made a motion to appoint Natalia Aguilar to the Arts Committee. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
3. Councilmember Woolfley made a motion to appoint Monica Roebuck to the Education Committee. Mayor Pro Tem Woolfley seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
4. Mayor Robinson swore-in the members to their respective committees.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Robinson on behalf of Council thanked staff for the excellent work on Memorial Day events as well as Bowiefest.

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

COUNCIL Michael P. Estève ♦ Courtney D. Glass ♦ James L. Marcos ♦ Isaac C. Truth ♦ Dufour Woolfley **CITY MANAGER** Alfred D. Lott
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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Lott reported that managers are engaged in the performance evaluation process.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Woolfley moved the approval of Amended Consent Agenda Items: A) Approval of April 2 Meeting Minutes; B) Approval of Proclamation P-9-18 Proclaiming June 3-9, 2018, as Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week in the City of Bowie; C) Approval of Resolution R-33-18 By Two-Thirds Vote Authorizing the Waiving of Bidding Requirements to Allow for the Purchase of Four Refuse Trucks by Piggybacking a Costars Pennsylvania Department of General Services Bid; D) Approval of Resolution R-34-18 Accepting Bid Proposal for Interior Renovations to the Public Works Administration Office; E) Approval of Resolution R-35-18 Accepting the Construction of the Private Stormwater Management Facility Constructed Under the Permit SWM4-16 at Whip Clean Car Wash and Releasing the Construction Securities Required Therewith; G) Approval of Resolution R-37-18 Accepting Bid Proposal for Street Repair. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner seconded the motion and it carried 6-0 (Councilmember Marcos stepped out).

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Adoption of Resolution R-28-18 Annexation of the Bowie Baysox Stadium (Prince George's Stadium) – Planning Director Joe Meinert summarized the staff report. This annexation will enlarge the City boundaries by annexing 400.9921 acres of land that includes part of Parcel A, Prince George's Stadium, the adjacent parcels owned by the Maryland-National Capital park and Planning Commission, and a portion of the Governor Bridge Road right-of-way east of Hickory Leaf Terrace in the Longleaf Subdivision and west of Governors Bridge Estates.

Public Hearing:

Since there were no speakers signed up to speak, Mayor Robinson declared the public hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Esteve asked what are the anticipated costs of providing public safety for this property we are annexing. Mr. Meinert responded that in the approved annexation plan the Maryland Park Police would be responsible for the safety since the stadium is owned by the M-NCPPC.

Councilmember Glass made a motion to adopt Resolution R-28-18. Mayor Pro Tem Woolfley seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0 (Marcos stepped out).

B. Adoption of Ordinance O-5-18 Amending the Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2017 and Ending June 30, 2018, as Set Forth in Ordinance O-2-17, and Amended by O-1-18, to Appropriate Funds for the Purchase of a Parcel of Land Owned by the Maryland State Highway Administration at a Price of \$99,000 – Finance Director Byron Matthews summarized the staff report. This appropriation of funds is in regards to the land Council authorized to purchase from Maryland State Highway Administration in Old Town Bowie at the May 21 Council meeting. In looking at the budget during that time, we were under funded in that line item, thus Council needs to appropriate an additional \$85,500 to secure the purchase of the land.

Public Hearing:

Since there were no speakers signed up to speak, Mayor Robinson declared the public hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Esteve made a motion to adopt Ordinance O-5-18. Councilmember Woolfley seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0 (Marcos stepped out).

NEW BUSINESS:

A. The Bowie BIC – Bowie's Incubator – Ms. Lisa Smith, Executive Director of Bowie Business Innovation Center and Mr. Mark Lawrence, Founder and CEO of Innucvate Consulting briefed Council on the progress of the businesses at the Bowie BIC. As of May 2018, the Incubator has 12 accelerator and graduate client companies; 192 jobs generated by clients and graduates; \$9.9M in revenues generated by clients and graduates; 979 entrepreneurs participating in programs; 2 locations; 8 on-site counselors/advisors monthly; and 5 Bowie State University Interns. Bowie BIC's vision and future includes building a more diversified client portfolio, helping clients increase impact and role in Bowie and Prince George's County economic development, and expand the size and scale of Bowie BIC management and operations through additional funding and new partnerships.

Councilmember Woolfley asked what the status of the use of space at Bowie State University is. Mr. Lawrence responded that it is being worked out and they anticipate staying there.

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner asked how many graduates or members within BIC are actually providing services to either the City or the County. Ms. Smith responded that she knows Sage has worked in the past with the County Board of Education and the other business are mostly working with Federal agencies or with commercial operations.

B. Bowie Green Team Presentation - Chair of the Bowie Green Team, Sue Livera went over the events hosted by the committee like the Weed Warrior Program, Walk Wednesdays and Earth Day concert to name a few. The Bowie Green Team is responsible for the creation and implementation of a plan in accordance with the Sustainable Maryland Certified Program to provide leadership to the residents, governments, schools, businesses, churches and civic organizations of Bowie on projects to improve the economic, environmental, and social sustainability of our community. They also provide environmental outreach in the City and have many events and programs planned for this year such as working on installing monarch butterfly waystations and pollinator projects and planning many green volunteer events for residents.

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner mentioned that the residents of Pin Oak and Evergreen are interested in starting a garden project and will provide Ms. Livera with contact information for them.

Councilmember Trouth recommends having some of the tips from the Green Team be published in the Bowie Spotlight.

C. Consent Agenda Item F - Approval of Resolution R-36-18 Accepting a Bid Proposal for Whitemarsh Park, Phase 2 Restroom/Concession Building/Pedestrian Plaza and Playground – Councilmember Woolfley asked if staff has looked into any other alternatives in terms of managing the project as opposed to moving forward with an increased price. City Manager Lott responded that staff has reviewed all aspects and feel that this is the best moving forward unless Council wants to change some of the aspects of the design.

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Councilmember Esteve made a motion to approve Resolution R-36-18 and move forward with the project. Councilmember Marcos seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-1 (Woolfley).

D. Consent Agenda Item H - Emergency Ordinance O-6-18 Amending the Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2017 and Ending June 30, 2018, Embodied in Ordinance O-2-17, as Amended by Ordinance O-1-18 and O-5-18, to Authorize the Transfer of Certain Amounts in the 2017-2018 Budget to Pay for Anticipated Expenses – Will be put on June 18 Council meeting agenda for Public Hearing and adoption.

E. Consent Agenda Item I - Approval of City Position Letter to Prince George's County Planning Board re: Melford Detailed Site Plan for Townhouse Infrastructure – Councilmember Marcos made a motion to approve letter. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-2 (Esteve, Woolfley).

F. Consent Agenda Item J – Approval of Letter to Prince George's County Council re: CB-13-2018 Zoning Ordinance Rewrite – Councilmember Woolfley asked if there are any particular parcels in or adjacent to the City that will be affected by any of the proposed zoning regulation changes. Mr. Meinert, City Planning Director responded that there are no property specific zoning recommendations in this effort; CB-13-2018 is simply to readopt new regulations to replace the current zoning ordinance. There will be a subsequent step, which will involve rezoning of properties throughout the County, and staff will certainly make Council aware of that if and when the map becomes available, there will be public hearings on it, and Council will have a chance to take a position on anything that affects Bowie.

Councilmember Woolfley then asked that in the case of the Jesuit Property where they have an application to change that zoning, if this new CB-13-2018 goes forward would they have to start the process over again or will they be grandfathered in. Mr. Meinert responded that if they have gotten to the point of the Planning Board considering the rezoning, then it would be rolled in and considered as part of that sectional map process; if it has not made it to that point, then they would have to go back and start over.

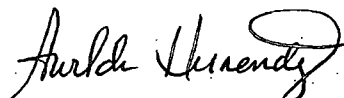
Councilmember Esteve asked for a minor change under external street connectivity signs to include the word "Possible Future".

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner made a motion to approve letter with recommended change from Councilmember Esteve to include the words "Possible Future" under section 27-6.108.H.3. Councilmember Marcos seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner moved to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting. Councilmember Trough seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Awilda Hernandez, MMC
City Clerk