



City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road
Bowie, Maryland 20716

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2018

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, December 3, 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, Marcos, Truth and Woolfley, City Manager Lott, Assistant City Manager Mears, City Clerk Hernandez, City Attorney Levan, Staff, Press and the Public.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

1. Barbara Ochester, Northview Drive – Stated that Salvera Medical Cannabis Dispensary is now open and has serviced more than 600 patients to date.
2. Dustin Kuzan, Silver Maple Court – Spoke in support of Council's reconsideration to continue funding the Phase II of Heritage Trail project.
3. Will Sulima, Moylan Drive – Spoke in support of funding for the Heritage Trail project, Phase II.

CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

A. Appointments/Reappointments/Swearing-in

1. Councilmember Marcos made a motion to appoint Dr. Kimberly L. Bolling to the Community Outreach Committee for a 2-year term. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.
2. Mayor Robinson swore-in Dr. Bolling to the committee.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Lott had no report.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Marcos moved the approval of Consent Agenda Items: A) Approval of November 5 Meeting Minutes; B) Approval of Resolution R-84-18 Accepting Bid Proposal for Construction Inspection and Lead-Based Paint Inspection for the HUD CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program; C) Approval of Resolution R-85-18 Accepting Bid Proposal for Energy Audits for the HUD

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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CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program; D) Approval of Resolution R-86-18 Approving Variance Application BV-12-18, a Request by Ms. Chakita Kay to Allow the Construction of Approximately 191 Linear Feet of Six Foot High Vinyl Replacement Fencing Along Plymouth Court When, According to the Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance, Such Fencing Shall Not be More Than Four Feet High, at 15915 Perkins Lane; E) Approval of Resolution R-87-18 Approving Variance Application BV-13-18, a Request by Ms. Vickie Dippel for a Variance to Validate Existing Lot Coverage at 31.7% and to Further Increase Lot Coverage by 0.2% to Allow Construction of a 5' x 6' Bump-out Addition Onto the Rear of the Dwelling for a Total of 31.9% Lot Coverage When, According to the Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance, Lot Coverage in the R-80 Zone Shall Not be More Than 30% at 2405 Pittland Lane; F) Approval of Resolution R-88-18 Accepting a Proposal for an Agreement for Architect/Engineering Open End Contract – Categories 8, 9 & 13; G) Approval of Resolution R-89-18 By Two-Thirds Vote Waiving of Bidding Requirements of Section 61 of the City Charter to Authorize the Purchase of Sewer Foam Injection Root Control Services; H) Approval of Resolution R-92-18 Accepting a Proposal for an Agreement for Architect/Engineering Open End Contract – Category 7; I) Approval of Resolution R-93-18 Accepting a Proposal for an Agreement for Architect/Engineering Open End Contract – Categories 6, 11 & 14; J) Approval of Resolution R-94-18 Accepting a Proposal for an Agreement for Architect/Engineering Open End Contract – Category 10. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Introduction and Approval of Emergency Ordinance O-9-18 Amending City Code Chapter 6, "Elections", Article IV, "Fair Elections Practices", to Add Section 6-66A, "Date for Filing Certificate of Candidacy," to Establish the First Date on Which Candidates May Establish Candidacy for City Elective Office – City Counsel Levan summarized the proposed Ordinance which is stemmed from Council's last meeting in November which would set a beginning date for candidates to file for candidacy.

Public Hearing:

1. Dustin Kuzan, Silver Maple Ct – Spoke in opposition to changing the date of filing in order to keep the door open for new people that might be interested in running.

Since there were no other persons signed up to speak, the Mayor declared the Public Hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Marcos made a motion to approve Emergency Ordinance O-9-18. Motion died, lack of a second motion.

B. Approval of Annexation Resolution R-71-18 Enlarging the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Bowie, by Annexing Into the City Lands Contiguous to and Adjoining the City's Existing Corporate Boundary, Including Outparcels A and B and Karington Center Boulevard in Karington (Now Known as South Lake), Part of Parcel 8 and all of Parcels 126 and 127 on Prince George's County Tax Map 70, Generally Located on the South Side of Maryland Route 214 and West Side of US 301 – Planning Director Joe Meinert summarized the staff report. Resolution R-71-18 will enlarge the City boundaries by annexing 421.0920 acres of land.

Public Hearing:

Since there were no persons signed up to speak, the Mayor declared the Public Hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Woolfley stated that he is in opposition of this annexation, which will compound traffic concerns, as well as lack of space in current school population.

Councilmember Trough stated that in District 4 where this property is being annexed, residents want the retail amenities, which includes a major grocery store that is not there currently.

Councilmember Marcos made a motion to approve Annexation Resolution R-71-18. Councilmember Trough seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-2 (Esteve, Woolfley). The annexation becomes effective January 17, 2019.

C. South Lake (Karington) Declaration of Covenants Resolution R-76-18 – Planning Director Joe Meinert summarized the staff report. The covenant limits the number of building permits for residential dwelling units to no more than 1,360 units, excluding age-restricted dwelling units, for a period of 15 years after the City's annexation becomes effective. It also references the developer being responsible for certain transportation improvements at the intersection of Trade Zone Avenue and US 301.

Public Hearing:

Since there were no persons signed up to speak, the Mayor declared the Public Hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Trough made a motion to approve Resolution R-76-18. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-1 (Esteve).

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Budget Guidance FY 2020 – Mr. Byron Matthews, Finance Director, presented a guidance of possible impacts for the FY 2020 Budget which include potential federal cutbacks and lower wages which would impact income taxes and expenditures continue to outpace revenues. In summary, the City's financial position remains strong and essential core services continue to be provided while maintaining a constant property tax rate that has not increased in the last 9 years. Expenditure growth is expected to be between 5 to 7 percent.

Councilmember Marcos thanked staff for the guidance and directed staff to see if the funding for the trail project can be re-established since the City has already invested a large amount in securing permits for this project, would hate for that to go to waste.

Councilmember Woolfley thanked staff for the report and maintaining the fund balance at a good level. Based on conversations with constituents they want no cutbacks in the refuse collection, or snow removal, water and sewer fee collection for pipe replacements should be based on usage and not the same for everyone.

Mayor Robinson thanked staff for the guidance.

B. South Lake (Karington) Resolution R-90-18 - Mr. John Henry King, Economic Development Director introduced Resolution R-90-18 Approving the Establishment by Prince George's County, Maryland of the Karington Development District.

Councilmember Marcos made a motion to introduce Resolution R-90-18. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner seconded the motion, Motion carried 4-2 (Esteve, Woolfley).

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C. South Lake (Karington) Resolution R-91-18 - Mr. John Henry King, Economic Development Director introduced Resolution R-91-18 For the Purpose of Ratifying, Confirming and Consenting to the Establishment by Prince George's County, Maryland of the Karington Special Taxing District.

Councilmember Marcos made a motion to introduce Resolution R-91-18. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-2 (Esteve, Woolfley).

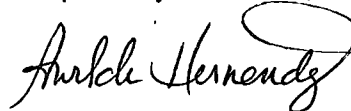
D. Introduction of Ordinance O-8-18 - Mr. John Henry King, Economic Development Director introduced Ordinance O-8-18 Authorizing the Pledge of Incremental Property Tax Revenues from the Karington (South Lake) Development District.

Councilmember Marcos made a motion to introduce Ordinance O-8-18. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-2 (Esteve, Woolfley).

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner moved to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion and it carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Awilda Hernandez", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Awilda Hernandez, MMC
City Clerk