



City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road
Bowie, Maryland 20716

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Tuesday, January 22, 2019 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 and the Public.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

1. Dustin Kuzan, Silver Maple Ct – Spoke in regards to forming an Arts and Entertainment District in Old Bowie.
2. Temika Moore – Is hosting an Arts & Entertainment roundtable discussion on February 5 to meet with local artist that are willing to support the effort.

CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

1. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner moved to appoint Elmer Dengler to the Environmental Advisory Committee for a two-year term. Councilmember Woolfley seconded motion. Motion passed 6-0.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Robinson announced that there are 27 applicants vying for the vacant District 3 Councilmember seat. Interviews will be held through a course of several days and the dates will be published as soon as they have been established.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Lott reported that there were no major incidents during the snowstorm.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Marcos moved the approval of Consent Agenda Items: A) Approval of January 7 Meeting Minutes; B) Approval of Resolution R-8-19 Canceling the Issuance of a Purchase Order to

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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A. Morton Thomas & Associates, Inc. and Authorizing the Issuance of a Purchase Order to Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, LLP for Task Order/RFP#2-02 in Accordance With the Master Contract Approved on October 31, 2018. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. South Lake (Karington) Resolution R-90-18 – This resolution approves the establishment by Prince George's County of the Karington Development District as required by The Maryland Tax Increment Financing Act. The property included in the Karington Development District is a portion of the property annexed into the City pursuant to Resolution R-71-18.

Public Hearing:

1. Albert Baumann, Brunswick Lane – Spoke against the Tax Increment Financing, there was no due diligence report done on this project.

Since there were no more speakers signed to speak, Mayor Robinson declared the Public Hearing to have been held.

City Manager Lott reiterated that if for some reason the property fails to generate the revenue that is projected, it would not be the responsibility of the City to pay it; it would be the responsibility of the developer.

Councilmember Trough asked what is the percentage of commercial and residential that is being built on the site.

Jennifer Derickson, Financial Advisor for the City, responded that based on the most recent projections it is about 35% commercial with the remaining balance being residential.

Councilmember Woolfley stated that he is not in favor of the establishment of the taxing districts or the TIF. He has heard several concerns from residents in regards to traffic as well as school overcrowding that will be brought into the City, and does not believe the developer needs the money to develop the property.

Councilmember Marcos made a motion to approve Resolution R-90-18 Approving the establishment by Prince George's County of the Karington Development District. Councilmember Trough seconded the motion. Motion Passed 4-2 (Esteve, Woolfley).

B. South Lake (Karington) Resolution R-91-18 – This resolution ratifies, confirms and consents to the establishment by Prince George's County of the Karington Special Taxing District as required by The Maryland Tax Increment Financing Act. The property included in the Karington Development District is a portion of the property annexed into the City pursuant to Resolution R-71-18.

Public Hearing:

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

Councilmember Marcos made a motion to approve Resolution R-91-18 Ratifying, confirming and consenting to the establishment by Prince George's County of the Karington Special Taxing District. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-2 (Esteve, Woolfley).

C. South Lake (Karington) Ordinance O-8-18 – City Bond Counsel, Lindsey Rader with the Law Firm Funk & Bolton stated that the enactment of this ordinance does not commit the City to participate in the transaction; it is merely authorizing the pledge of the City's incremental tax revenues to support TIF/STD bonds issued by the County. The maximum allowed amount by the County for the bond is \$33mil.

Public Hearing:

1. Dustin Kuzan, Silver Maple Ct. – Spoke in regards to a development fee that Baltimore City has in place that covers the improvements for infrastructure, and would Council consider looking into establishing such a fee in City.

Since there were no more speakers signed to speak, Mayor Robinson declared the Public Hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Marcos made a motion to approve Ordinance O-8-18 Authorizing the pledge by the City of the Incremental Tax Revenues attributable to the development of property in the Karington Development District. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-2 (Esteve, Woolfley).

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Category 2 Sewer Designation – Bowie Veterinary Properties – Resolution R-7-19 – George Stephanos, Public Works Director summarized the report. Bowie Veterinary Properties located at 6700 Laurel Bowie Road applied for a sewer extension and connection to existing City sanitary system on September 11, 2015. The building currently has an on-site sewage disposal system. Public Works has reviewed the application and recommends approval of the sewer category designation.

Mr. Tobe Byrd representing the owners of the Bowie Veterinary Properties was present to answer any questions Council might have.

Councilmember Woolfley asked if the property is on City water. Mr. Stephanos responded that they are on WSSC water.

Public Hearing:

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

Councilmember Esteve made a motion to approve Resolution R-7-19. Councilmember Woolfley seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

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 8:39 p.m.

January 22, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Awilda Hernandez". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping flourish at the end.

Awilda Hernandez, MMC
City Clerk