

The City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 12, 2018 in Council Chambers. A quorum being present, Mayor Victoria Jackson-Stanley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those Commissioners in attendance were Commissioners Rideout, Sydnor, Foster, Cannon, and Hanson. Mayor Victoria Jackson-Stanley asked for a moment of silence. Commissioner Hanson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda

1. Council to approve or amend agenda as presented.

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to approve the agenda was seconded by Commissioner Rideout and approved 5:0.

Public Comment

Consent Calendar

2. SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes from Council Meetings on February 26, 2018
Recommendation: That Council approve as submitted.
3. SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes from the special regular session on March 5, 2018
Recommendation: That Council approve as submitted
4. SUBJECT: Request from Cambridge Police Department for permission to hold an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 24, 2018 (rain date: March 31st) from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm in Great Marsh Park
Recommendation: That Council approve the request
5. SUBJECT: Request from ShoreRivers organization for letter of support
Recommendation: That Council authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support for ShoreRivers grant application for trees, bioretention, and green parking at Waugh Chapel and on Habitat for Humanity Choptank lots.
6. SUBJECT: Approval of Easement Agreement with Egypt Road Solar, LLC
Recommendation: That Council approve the proposed Easement Agreement with Egypt Road Solar, LLC and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
7. SUBJECT: Approval of First Amendment to Settlement Agreement with Outdoor Income Partners, LLC
Recommendation: That Council approve the proposed amendments to the Settlement Agreement with Outdoor Income Partners, LLC in the form of a First Amendment to Settlement Agreement drafted by the City Attorney and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.

A motion by Commissioner Sydnor to approve the Consent Calendar Items 2, 3, 4 and 7 was seconded by Commissioner Rideout and approved 5:0.

Re Item 5: A motion by Commissioner Rideout that Council authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support for ShoreRivers grant application for trees, bioretention, and green parking at Waugh Chapel and on Habitat for Humanity Choptank lots was seconded by Commissioner Sydnor and approved 3:2.

Re Item 6: Sandra Tripp-Jones explained a change to the agreement concerning trimming of trees near the electric lines. A motion by Commissioner Rideout that Council approve the proposed Easement Agreement with Egypt Road Solar, LLC and authorize the Mayor to execute the same was seconded by Commissioner Hanson and approved 5:0.

Ordinances for Second Reading, Public Hearing, and Adoption

8. SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1116 - An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland, to Repeal Ordinance No. 1019 Entitled "Boarding of Residential Structures and Monitored Rehabilitation Program"; Providing That the Title of This Ordinance Shall Be Deemed a Fair Summary and Generally Relating to the Boarding of Residential Structures and the Monitored Rehabilitation Program in the City of Cambridge.

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Give Ordinance No. 1116 a second reading by reading of title only;
- B. Open public hearing, take public comment and close the public hearing;
- C. Adopt Ordinance No. 1116.

City Attorney, Chip MacLeod introduced the ordinance by reading the title of Ordinance 1116.

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to open the public hearing was seconded by Commissioner Cannon and approved 5:0.

Nobody asked to speak.

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to close the public hearing was seconded by Commissioner Rideout and approved 5:0.

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to adopt Ordinance No. 1116 was seconded by Commissioner Cannon and approved 5:0.

Old Business

9. Award of Contract for Peachblossom Branch Stream Restoration Design

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Award the contract for the design of the Peachblossom Branch Stream Restoration project to Ecotone, Inc. in the amount of \$50,652;

- B. Appropriate \$70,000 of grant revenue to the General Fund Revenue and \$70,000 to the Department of Public Works Fund

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to award the contract for the design of the Peachblossom Branch Stream Restoration project to Ecotone, Inc. in the amount of \$50,652 and appropriate \$70,000 of grant revenue to the General Fund Revenue and \$70,000 to the Department of Public Works Fund was seconded by Commissioner Cannon and approved 5:0.

New Business

10. SUBJECT: Appropriation of Drug Forfeiture Money for Cambridge Police Department

Recommendation: That Council appropriate \$1,500 to the General Fund Revenue from Drug Forfeiture funds and increase the Police Department budget by \$1,500 for evidence buy money.

A motion by Commissioner Sydnor to appropriate \$1,500 to the General Fund Revenue from Drug Forfeiture funds and increase the Police Department budget by \$1,500 for evidence buy money was seconded by Commissioner Hanson and approved 5:0.

11. SUBJECT: Creation of a Housing Specialist position within the Department of Public Works' Planning and Zoning Division.

Recommendation: That Council approve:

- A. Creation of a Housing Specialist within the Planning and Zoning Division;
- B. Housing Specialist job classification at Grade 12, Step 6

A motion by Commissioner Rideout to approve Creation of a Housing Specialist within the Planning and Zoning Division with the job classification at Grade 12 subject to the final approval of the salary was seconded by Commissioner Hanson and approved 5:0.

12. SUBJECT: Proposed Memorandum of Understanding with Dorchester County to establish a joint venture non-profit corporation for redevelopment of the Cambridge waterfront adjacent to and inclusive of certain University of Maryland Shore Regional Health properties.

Recommendation: That Council authorize the Mayor to execute the MOU with Dorchester County, in a final form approved by the City Attorney.

A motion by Commissioner Rideout that Council authorize the Mayor to execute the MOU with Dorchester County, in a final form approved by the City Attorney was seconded by Commissioner Hanson and approved 5:0.

Notices

13. Constant Yield public hearing on March 26, 2017 as part of the regular City Council meeting.

No action was taken.

Mayor and Council


14. SUBJECT: Slavery Memorial Project

Recommendation from Commissioner Rideout: That Commissioners indicate their support in principal for this idea and the willingness to consider the possible use of public space for the project once those ideas are formulated.

Commissioner Rideout withdrew his request. No action will be taken.

A motion by Commissioner Sydnor to adjourn the meeting was seconded and approved unanimously.

With no further business, Mayor Victoria Jackson-Stanley adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m. I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate account of the Council meeting Monday, March 12, 2017, insofar as I personally am aware.


Victoria Jackson-Stanley
Mayor