



REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, May 11, 2009.

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Edward V. J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts and Mayor Judith F. Davis.

ALSO PRESENT were Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; David E. Moran, Assistant City Manager; John F. Shay, City Solicitor; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

Mayor Davis asked for a moment of silence in memory of residents Bill Uber and Nora Mullane Bosak, and the former pastor of St. Hugh's Church, Monsignor William F. O'Donnell. She then led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA: It was moved by Mr. Putens and seconded by Mr. Herling that the consent agenda be approved. The motion passed 5-0.

Council thereby took the following actions:

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Work Session, April 1, 2009
Regular Meeting, April 13, 2009
Interviews, April 27, 2009
Work Session, April 28, 2009
Work Session, April 29, 2009
Approved as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Green Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability Report #2009-02 (Workplace Recycling): Council accepted the report and referred it to staff for review, along with the City's current workplace recycling practice, to identify any improvements that may be made.

Green Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability Report #2009-03 (Committee Name Change): Council accepted this report and agreed to add it to the agenda of the May 26 regular meeting.

GREEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY REPORT #2009-01 (24 HOUR TRASH CAN POLICY): Council concurred with the committee's recommendation that an ordinance was not necessary.

RESIGNATION FROM ADVISORY GROUP: Council accepted with regret the resignation of Adrienne White from the Arts Advisory Board.

REAPPOINTMENT TO ADVISORY GROUPS: Council appointed the following individuals to new terms on their respective advisory groups:

Robert Trumbule	Advisory Committee on Trees
Jay Shah	Park & Recreation Advisory Board
Marc Siegel	Park & Recreation Advisory Board

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ms. Mach requested that “Referral to Advisory Committee on Trees” be added as Item #15. It was moved by Mr. Putens and seconded by Mr. Herling that the agenda be approved as amended. The motion carried 5-0.

PRESENTATIONS:

ACE Student Awards: The Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) presented its 15th Annual Student Awards program. Jon Gardner, ACE Chair, described the ACE awards program and, together with ACE member Theresa Bugg, introduced the award recipients. Each recipient was presented with several certificates and several small gifts. This year also marked the 12th year of the presentation of a scholarship to the student award winners from Eleanor Roosevelt High School. State Senator Paul Pinsky, Delegates Tawanna Gaines and Justin Ross, County Councilmember Ingrid Turner, and Board of Education Member Rosalind Johnson also participated. The 2009 recipients were:

Greenbelt Elementary School:	Damien Jackson and Eryca King
Springhill Lake Elementary School:	Marcos Bonilla-Flores and Gabriela Gonzalez
Magnolia Elementary School:	Oluwatope Littlejohn “John” Aderotoye and Kayla Brooks
Turning Point Academy:	Eric Thornton, Jr. and Rhamira Corbett
St. Hugh’s School:	Eusebio Maningding and Floriane Beyegue
Greenbelt Middle School:	Paak-Hei Ng and Cynthia Uchendu
Eleanor Roosevelt High School:	Subodh Arora and Jenny Lindvall

In addition, on behalf of Delegate Anne Healey who was unable to attend, Mayor Davis presented a Maryland State Legislative Scholarship to Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) student William Dunham.

Legislative Wrap-Up – 22nd District Delegation: State Senator Pinsky and Delegates Gaines and Ross provided an overview of the 2009 General Assembly Session. David Moran also reported on the City’s Legislative priorities and its advocacy during the 2009 Session.

Older Americans Month Proclamation: Mayor Davis read a proclamation to recognize May as Older Americans Month. Sharon Vanzego, Service Coordinator for Green Ridge House, received the proclamation on behalf of the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program and the residents of Green Ridge House.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS: None

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Executive Session of March 18, 2009: Mr. Roberts moved that the minutes of the executive session of the City Council held Wednesday, March 18, 2009, be approved as presented. He further requested that the minutes of this meeting reflect that the Council met in executive session at 8:05 p.m. in the Library of the Municipal Building. Council held this closed meeting in accordance with Section 10-508 (a)(7) of the State Government Article of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland* to consult with legal counsel. Mr. Putens seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Herling - yes
Ms. Mach - yes
Mr. Putens - yes
Mr. Roberts - yes
Mayor Davis - yes

Executive Session of April 7, 2009: Mr. Roberts moved that the minutes of the executive session of the City Council held Tuesday, April 7, 2009, be approved as presented. He further requested that the minutes of this meeting reflect that the Council met in executive session at 7:32 p.m. in the Library of the Municipal Building. Council held this closed meeting in accordance with Section 10-508 (a)(7) of the State Government Article of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland* to consult with legal counsel. Mr. Putens seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Herling - yes
Ms. Mach - yes
Mr. Putens - yes
Mr. Roberts - yes
Mayor Davis - yes

Executive Session of April 27, 2009: Mr. Roberts moved that the minutes of the executive session of the City Council held Monday, April 27, 2009, be approved as presented. He further requested that the minutes of this meeting reflect that the Council met in executive session at 11:07 p.m. in the Library of the Municipal Building. Council held this closed meeting in accordance with Section 10-508 (a)(7) of the State Government Article of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland* to consult with legal counsel. Mr. Putens seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Herling - yes
Ms. Mach - yes
Mr. Putens - yes
Mr. Roberts - yes
Mayor Davis - yes

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. McLaughlin reported he had been notified by the County Department of Public Works and Transportation that the City would receive approximately \$40,000 of street resurfacing work due to Stimulus funds. He also noted the problem with the Donation Drop-Off event on May 9th and said a solution would be in place prior to the next event. Mayor Davis thanked employees of the Public Works Department for their assistance in resolving the problem that day.

Mayor Davis and Mr. Herling commented on the Big Cities Conference in Frederick and the Green Man Festival. Mayor Davis also mentioned the Pet Expo.

Ms. Mach commented on the Springhill Lake Elementary School Get Active Program. She reported that School Board Member Rosalind Johnson had mentioned the County may seek gold LEED certification for the new Greenbelt Middle School. Ms. Mach suggested inviting Dr. William R. Hite, Jr., the new Superintendent of Prince George's County Public Schools, to meet with Council and the Advisory Committee on Education.

LEGISLATION:

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 16 "Public Safety Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions" of the

Greenbelt City Code by Adding a New Section 16-4 "Emergency Call Boxes"

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Roberts introduced the ordinance for second reading and moved its adoption. Mr. Putens seconded.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Herling - yes
Ms. Mach - yes
Mr. Putens - yes
Mr. Roberts - yes
Mayor Davis - yes

The Ordinance was declared adopted (Ordinance No. 1298, Book 12).

REFERRAL TO ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TREES (ACT) – SIZE OF

COMMITTEE: Ms. Mach reported that an ACT member reappointment survey had suggested the committee membership be increased. She moved a referral be sent to ACT requesting a review of the size of the committee to determine if an increase in members is needed. Mr. Herling seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

MEETINGS: Council reviewed the meeting schedule. Mayor Davis requested the Police Briefing, City Manager Update and meeting with the Roosevelt Center Owner be added to the ready to be scheduled list.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made by Ms. Mach and seconded by Mr. Putens. The motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Davis adjourned the regular meeting of Monday, May 11, 2009, at 10:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Murray
City Clerk

"I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct report of the regular meeting of the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, held May 11, 2009."

Judith F. Davis
Mayor