



BUDGET WORK SESSION of the Greenbelt City Council held April 16, 2008, for the purpose of reviewing the Miscellaneous, Other and Capital Funds section of Proposed FY 2009 Budget.

Mayor Davis started the meeting at 8:05 p.m. It was held in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Greenbelt Community Center.

PRESENT WERE: *Councilmembers Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Edward V.J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts and Mayor Judith F. Davis.*

STAFF PRESENT WERE: *Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager; Jeffrey Williams, City Treasurer; Celia Craze, Director of Planning & Community Development; Jill St. John, Museum Curator; Megan Searing-Young; Museum Volunteer Coordinator and David E. Moran, Assistant City Manager.*

ALSO PRESENT WERE: *Don Byrd, Meals on Wheels; Stephen Oetken, Jenn Ruffner, Frank Knoll and Chris Starke, FOGM; and Kelly Ivy, Marc Siegel and Chris Husker, PRAB.*

Don Byrd, representing Meals on Wheels thanked Council for last year's contribution. He reported that they were delivering 16 meals in Greenbelt. Mr. Byrd reported they were facing their most difficult year and had not raised their prices from \$4 per day for three meals. He indicated volunteers were expressing concern about rising gas costs.

Next, Ms. St. John gave a Powerpoint presentation highlighting the Museum's accomplishments over the past year and upcoming events this year.

Under the Contributions account, Mayor Davis asked to add \$300 to the Washington Ear contribution to the change list. Mr. Putens wanted to add \$400 for Meals on Wheels.

Mr. McLaughlin explained the Non-Departmental and Fund Transfers accounts.

Next, Council discussed the Capital Projects Fund. Mr. Herling suggested not building bus shelters this year and using those funds for a new scoreboard at McDonald Field. He requested this be added to the change list.

There was considerable discussion about the Braden Field shed. Kelly Ivy and Marc Siegel expressed concern that the project was taking so long. Council responded there had been questions related to what size shed to build and how it would be used. Ms. Craze indicated there were permitting requirements and issues regardless of the shed size and there would be a potential need to get a site plan since Braden Field is actually part of the Attick Park site. Council asked Mr. Ivy and Mr. Siegel to obtain written agreement from the Boy's & Girls Club and Babe Ruth groups regarding the size and uses of the shed.

Council reviewed the Other Funds section of the budget.

The meeting ended at 10:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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