

Introduced: Mr. Roberts  
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RESOLUTION NUMBER 988

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM TO BE HELD AT THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2005, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND, FOR DECISION THE QUESTION OF AMENDING THE CITY CHARTER TO PERMIT THE PROVISION OF A LABOR CODE TO RECOGNIZE THE RIGHT OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES TO ORGANIZE AND BARGAIN COLLECTIVELY

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WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to submit to the voters of the City of Greenbelt for decision the question of amending the City Charter to permit the provision of a labor code to recognize the right of certain employees to organize and bargain collectively; and

WHEREAS, Section 3 (“General Powers”) of the City Charter enumerates the powers held by the municipality of Greenbelt, Maryland. NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, that the following binding question shall be placed upon the ballot of the regular City Council election to be held November 8, 2005:

“REFERENDUM QUESTION ON  
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING”

Shall Section 3 (“General Powers”) of the Charter of the City of Greenbelt be amended to add a new paragraph 22 to read as follows:

22. To recognize and engage in collective bargaining with one or more designated bargaining representatives of non-managerial, sworn police officers of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, Police Department; to enter into a binding collective bargaining agreement with said representatives; and to enact by ordinance or amendment a system of rules and regulations to govern this process. The City Council shall approve all collective bargaining agreements entered into by the City with a collective bargaining representative prior to their becoming effective. In the event the parties negotiating a collective bargaining agreement are unable to reach agreement on one or more terms of a collective bargaining agreement, the City Council shall have the authority to set those terms and conditions of employment that remain in dispute upon a majority vote.

FOR the Charter Amendment .....

AGAINST the Charter Amendment .....

PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of September 26, 2005.

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Judith F. Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk