

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call

3. Meditation And Pledge Of Allegiance To The Flag

4. Consent Agenda - Approval Of Staff Recommendations

*(Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)*

5. Approval Of Agenda And Additions

6. Presentations

o. ACE Educators Awards Ceremony

Janet Mirsky and Melinda Brady, members of the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE), will introduce the 2016 ACE Educator Award recipients from the seven Greenbelt schools. Council will present each recipient with a certificate. County Councilmember Todd Turner and School Board Representative Lupi Grady will be present. Joe Schlosnagle will be representing State Senator Pinsky and State Delegates Anne Healey, Tawanna Gaines, and Alonzo Washington who are not able to attend this evening. The 2016 award recipients are:

Angela Payne - Greenbelt Elementary School
Lindsay Romaine – Springhill Lake Elementary School.
Leslie Tapscott-Mull – Magnolia Elementary School
Karen Thompson – Turning Point Academy
Belle Ange Mbayu – Dora Kennedy French Immersion School
Shirley Guerrier – Greenbelt Middle School
Tetsuo Ogawa – Eleanor Roosevelt High School

(RC)

Documents: [6-ACE.PDF](#)

7. Petitions And Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules)

8. Minutes Of Council Meetings

o. * Work Session, January 4, 2016

Documents: [8-DRAFT MINUTES, WORK SESSION, JANUARY 4, 2016.PDF](#)

o. *Work Session, January 20, 2016

Documents: [8-DRAFT MINUTES, WORK SESSION, JANUARY 20, 2016.PDF](#)

o. *Work Session, February 1, 2016

Documents: [8-DRAFT MINUTES, WORK SESSION, FEBRUARY 1, 2016.PDF](#)

o. *Minutes, February 3, 2016

Documents: [8-DRAFT MINUTES, WORK SESSION, FEBRUARY 3, 2016.PDF](#)

- o. Minutes – Executive Session Of February 3, 2016

In order to approve these minutes, the following motion is needed:

I move that the minutes of the executive session of the City Council held Wednesday, February 3, 2016, at 7:04 p.m., in Room 201 of the Community Center be approved as presented. Council held this closed meeting in accordance with the General Provisions Article, §3-305(b)(3) of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland*, to consult with legal counsel regarding the acquisition of real property. (CM)

- o. *Work Session, February 10, 2016

Documents: [8-DRAFT MINUTES, WORK SESSION, FEBRUARY 10, 2016.PDF](#)

- o. * Regular Meeting, February 22, 2016

Documents: [8-DRAFT MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING, FEBRUARY 22, 2016.PDF](#)

- o. *Work Session, February 29, 2016

Documents: [8-DRAFT MINUTES, WORK SESSION, FEBRUARY 29, 2016.PDF](#)

- o. *Legislative Dinner, March 2, 2016

Documents: [8-DRAFT MINUTES, LEGISLATIVE DINNER, MARCH 2, 2016.PDF](#)

- o. *Work Session, March 3, 2016

Documents: [8-DRAFT MINUTES, WORK SESSION, MARCH 3, 2016.PDF](#)

- o. Statement For The Record – Executive Session Of March 9, 2016

The following motion is needed:

In accordance with the General Provisions Article, Section 3-306(c)(2) of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland*, I move that the minutes of tonight's meeting reflect that Council met in executive session on Wednesday, March 9, 2016, at 8:03 p.m. in Room 201 of the Community Center. Council held this closed meeting in accordance with the General Provisions Article, §3-305(b)(1) and (b)(4) of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland*, to consider a personnel matter and a matter that concerns a proposal for a business to locate in the State.

Vote to close session:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ms. Davis				X
Mr. Herling	X			
Ms. Mach	X			
Ms. Pope	X			
Mr. Putens	X			
Mr. Roberts		X		

Mayor Jordan	X			
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The following staff members were in attendance: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager, and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

Other individuals in attendance: None

Council took no actions during this session. (CM)

Documents: [8-STATEMENT FOR THE RECORD, EXECUTIVE SESSION, MARCH 9, 2016.PDF](#)

9. Administrative Reports

10. *Committee Reports

- o. *Park & Recreation Advisory Board, Report #2016-2 (Clean Water Partnership Proposal To Dredge Two Forebays)

It is recommended that Council accept this report and consider it on the agenda of a future meeting. (CM)

Documents: [10-PRAB REPORT.PDF](#)

- o. *Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, Report #2016-1 (Open Forum):

It is recommended that Council accept this report. The Committee does not think a work session with Council is needed to review the report this year. Any needed responses from staff to issues raised will be provided to Council as well as to the Committee as soon as they are available. (CM)

Documents: [10-SCAC REPORT.PDF](#)

11. Letter To Maryland National Capital Park And Planning Commission – Comments On Zone And Use Regulations And Interpretations Module Of The Zoning Rewrite

Reference:

Memorandum, T. Hruby, 2/24/16

City Comments, Revised 3/8/16

Draft Letter, T. Hruby, 3/14/16

In mid-2014, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) began a comprehensive re-write of the County Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations. The stated purposes of the project are to streamline and simplify the regulations and development process, modernize and consolidate zones and development standards, incentivize economic and transit oriented mixed use development, and protect and enhance stable residential neighborhoods. It is anticipated the project will be completed in late 2017.

M-NCPPC is currently soliciting input on Module 1, Zone and Use Regulations and Interpretations and Definitions. Council reviewed Module 1 at its work session on February 29, 2016. The Council reviewed a series of comments prepared by City planning staff and directed staff to draft a letter summarizing the Council's comments and concerns. Council indicated its concerns/comments relate to project process, development review processes, deletion of the R-P-C and D-D-O zones and implications of new zones and zoning standards on Greenbelt. As requested by Council, an

exhaustive list of comments has been prepared and organized by type: substantive, clarifying and grammatical.

It is recommended that Council transmit the referenced draft letter to M-NCPPC summarizing the Council's concerns and questions, along with the detailed list of City comments prepared by staff. (CC)

Documents: [11-MEMORANDUM, T. HRUBY.PDF](#), [11-CITY COMMENTS.PDF](#), [11-DRAFT LETTER.PDF](#)

12. National League Of Cities Small Cities Steering Committee Meeting

Ms. Pope is Chair of the National League of Cities Small Cities Steering Committee. As chair, she will be hosting its 2016 summer meeting in Greenbelt. There will be expenses associated with this meeting and staff is assisting Ms. Pope with fundraising efforts to cover some of the expenses.

It is recommended that Council endorse hosting the meeting and authorize City expenditures up to \$1,000 at this time. (CM)

13. State Legislation

[SB 607/HB 829 – Cattle, Swine & Poultry - Use of Antimicrobial Drugs](#)

Reference:
SB 607/HB 829

This bill would limit the routine use of antibiotic drugs for farm animals. Antibiotics could still be used to treat sick animals or stop an infectious outbreak. Senator Pinsky is the primary sponsor of SB 607.

This bill was on the agenda of the last meeting. Council tabled this agenda item until it could be discussed at its Legislative Dinner. (DM)

Council tabled this item at the last meeting. Debate on this agenda item may be resumed by a majority vote of Council.

Documents: [13-SB 607.HB 829.PDF](#)

14. Code Enforcement – Geo-Thermal And Propane Conversions

Following discussion of residential geo-thermal and propane conversions at the Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition work session on March 3, 2016, Mr. Putens requested this item be included on the agenda of tonight's meeting. (CM)

15. Council Reports

16. *Request For Use Of City Facilities

Reference:
Letter, LaTonia Marshall, 10/06/2015

The City has received a request from the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Grad Night Committee for use of the Youth Center from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on June 5th and from 9 a.m. on June 6th to 6:00 a.m. on June 7th. They also request use of the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center from 12:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. on June 7th. Julie McHale, Director of Recreation, has indicated Recreation staff will be able to accommodate this request.

In the past, the City has waived the facility rental fees but the committee remains responsible for all costs incurred for Recreation personnel. Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to approve the waiver of facility rental fees for this event. (CM)

Documents: [16-LETTER, LATONIA MARSHALL.PDF](#)

17. *Community Relations Advisory Board, Report #2016-1 (Preservation & Maintenance Of The Turner Family Cemetery)

Reference:
CRAB Report 2016-1

Council accepted the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB) Report #2016-1 regarding the Preservation and Maintenance of the Turner Family Cemetery at its meeting on February 8, 2016.

Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's direction to staff to proceed with implementing the recommendations suggested by CRAB. (CM)

Documents: [17- CRAB REPORT.PDF](#)

18. *Letter To Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority – Preliminary Comments On The Proposed Development Plan For Greenbelt Station

Reference:
Letter, WMATA

Renard Development Company, LLC is proposing to construct a mixed-use transit-oriented development on the western portion of the Greenbelt Metrorail Station property. This would necessitate the reconfiguration of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) facilities including parking, kiss-and-ride, and bus loop operations.

WMATA hosted a public hearing on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 to receive public comment on the proposed plans. Several City Council members testified during the hearing. Staff has prepared a letter consolidating Council's comments from the hearing.

Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's authorization to transmit the referenced letter to WMATA. (JB)

Documents: [18- LETTER, WMATA.PDF](#)

19. MEETINGS

Interview for Advisory Group (Library)	Mon.	3/14	7:40 pm
Regular Meeting/ACE Educator Awards	Mon.	3/14	8:00 pm
Work Session – Council Goals (CC)	Wed.	3/16	8:00 pm
Interview for Advisory Group (Library)	Mon.	3/21	7:40 pm
Work Session – Gateway Signage and Metro Station Pedestrian/Bike Trail	Mon.	3/21	8:00 pm
Work Session – MOU with GATE (CC)	Wed.	3/23	8:00 pm

No Meeting (Easter Monday)	Mon.	3/28	
Regular Meeting/Budget Presentation	Tues.	3/29	8:00 pm
Budget Work Session – Overview, Revenues & General Government (CC)	Wed.	3/30	8:00 pm
Work Session – Lakeside North High Rise & DSP Amendment Greenbelt Station	Mon.	4/04	7:30 pm
Budget Work Session – TBD (CC)	Wed.	4/06	8:00 pm
Regular Meeting	Mon.	4/11	8:00 pm
Budget Work Session – TBD (CC)	Wed.	4/13	8:00 pm
Budget Work Session – TBD	Mon.	4/18	8:00 pm

Budget Work Session – TBD (CC)	Wed.	4/20	8:00 pm
Regular Meeting /1 st Public Hearing on Proposed Budget	Mon.	4/25	8:00 pm
Budget Work Session – TBD (CC)	Wed.	4/27	8:00 pm
Four Cities Meeting (New Carrollton)	Thurs.	4/28	7:30 pm

ACE EDUCATOR AWARDS 2016

Good evening everyone and welcome. I am Janet Mirsky, Treasurer of Greenbelt's Advisory Committee on Education (ACE). I'd like to thank Mayor Jordan and the City Council for once again sponsoring the ACE Educators Awards.

ACE inaugurated the Educators Awards in 1996, making this year the 21st consecutive year of the awards. This record is a testament to the Council's continued and energetic support of our schools and education. Before I call up the awardees, I'd like to make a few remarks and a number of introductions.

The purpose of ACE is to serve as a link between the Community and the City Council, addressing educational issues and promoting high quality schools for the people of Greenbelt. ACE was formed in 1994 and its charter was revised in 2007. It works with the City Council, school principals and their PTSAs to address educational issues and policies that affect the people of Greenbelt.

Some of the things that ACE has been working on this year include:

- * Organizing ACE Science and Reading clubs hosted by three of our Greenbelt schools.
- * Running the ACE Grants-To-Schools program, which funded 21 programs this year totaling just under \$9,700.
- * ACE also had an annual meeting with school Principals and another meeting with Parent Teacher Organization Presidents.
- * We have a meeting with the facilitators of the ACE clubs later this month.

Tonight we are happy to present our ACE Educator Awards to recognize school-based adults who have made an exceptional contribution to the schools that Greenbelt children attend. While many of the ACE outstanding educators are teachers, we all know that many individuals contribute to the positive school experience of Greenbelt students. Because of this, a recipient may be any dedicated, capable member of the school team. This includes a teacher, a guidance counselor, other professional staff member, support staff or building staff. ACE selects the awardees based on nominations from each school's administration.

The ACE Educator Awards complement the ACE Student Awards, which we will present to deserving Greenbelt students at the City Council session on Monday, May 23rd. Together, these awards spotlight the exemplary educational programs of the schools that Greenbelt children attend, and the people who make it happen.

Each Educator Award winner will receive a number of gifts and certificates to commemorate his or her success. From ACE, we have an engraved red and gold apple, the apple being of course, the well-recognized symbol of education. We also have an ACE tee shirt, which we invite all award winners to wear with us during the Labor Day Festival Parade in September. There are also certificates of recognition from the City, the County, and the State.

I'd now like to make a few introductions. We are pleased to have in the audience tonight a number of dignitaries. In addition to the Greenbelt City Council, we have School Board Member Lupi Grady here with us this evening. We are pleased to have our representative on the Prince George's County Council, Todd Turner here with us this evening. State Senator Pinsky; and State Delegates Anne Healey, Tawanna Gaines, and Alonzo Washington will not be able to join us this evening but they have generously sent citations recognizing the ACE Educator Awardees on behalf of the state of Maryland. Mr. Joe Schlosnagle will be presenting the citations on their behalf.

I would also like to ask any school administrators who are here this evening to stand and be recognized: Greenbelt Elementary, Springhill Lake Elementary, Magnolia Elementary, Turning Point Academy, Dora Kennedy French Immersion School, Greenbelt Middle School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

I think it is also important to thank all of the family members, school staff and parent-teacher organization members who are here to support the awardees. The success of each of us is dependent on the help and support that we receive from family and team members.

I would like to now introduce the members of Greenbelt's Advisory Committee on Education. Each of them has contributed to tonight's event and to all ACE activities. The members are Susan Breon, Chair of ACE and liaison to Eleanor Roosevelt High School; Jon Gardner, liaison to Eleanor Roosevelt High School and member in charge of the ACE Grants Program; Sudhanshu Sinha, liaison to Springhill Lake Elementary; Veronica Martin-Alston, liaison to Greenbelt Middle School; Melinda Brady, ACE member responsible for interfacing with the PGCP School Board and other outside organizations. Melinda will be joining me tonight to make our Educator Award presentations.

Don Rich, liaison to Magnolia Elementary; Elsie Waynes, liaison to Turning Point Academy; Kate McElhenny, who recently joined ACE and will take over the role of liaison to Greenbelt Elementary; and Ema Smith, liaison from the Youth Advisory Committee to ACE. Ema is not here tonight. And I am Janet Mirsky, Treasurer of ACE and liaison to Dora Kennedy French Immersion School.

As a final introduction, I'd like to recognize the following two people who support ACE: Leta Mach, ACE's City Council liaison and Rosalind Ceasar, the City's staff liaison to ACE, who does a marvelous job keeping the committee on track. I ask that City Council and our distinguished guests, arrange yourselves in a semi-circle in front.

Now, on to the introduction of this year's ACE Educator Awardees. When I call your name, please come and stand beside me while I describe your contributions to your school. When I finish, you will have the opportunity to say a few words yourself. One of the dignitaries who has a certificate will read it. Each proclamation will be read just once to avoid unnecessary repetition. However, rest assured, the proclamations apply to each and every one of you. After the proclamation is read, please make your way around the circle, shaking hands and receiving your gifts and certificates. After you make your way around the circle, we will ask that all of your family, friends, and co-workers stand to receive recognition. You may then return to your seat.

After all Awards have been made, we ask the awardees and elected officials to come up front for pictures. We also ask each of the Award winners to provide us with contact information, if you did not already do so when you arrived, so that we can formally invite you to walk with ACE in the 2016 Labor Day Festival Parade.

The order of presentation will be Greenbelt Elementary, Springhill Lake Elementary, Magnolia Elementary, Turning Point Academy, Dora Kennedy French Immersion, Greenbelt Middle, and Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Our first ACE Educator Award goes to **Ms. Angela Payne of Greenbelt Elementary School.**

Ms. Payne is very knowledgeable about current trends in Special Education. Her advice and perspective are sought throughout the Prince George's County School System by other Special Education teachers, due to her expertise and experience in both the instructional and legal aspects of Special Education. Often Ms. Payne's role is to educate parents and teachers about programs, processes, and interventions that will help young people transition from the elementary school environment to middle, high school, and college/career. In preparation for middle school Ms. Payne teaches students to take the initiative, speak on their own behalf, and set independent learning goals.

As a member of many Grade Level Teams, Ms. Payne commits to many extra hours and responsibilities in addition to her job as Special Education Coordinator for the school. Ms. Payne assists with grading, instructional planning, assessments, and grade level planning. She often stays late in the evenings planning school-wide events like Math Night, which benefits children and families at all grade levels. She also works together with the Fifth Grade Level Teams to plan field trips, fifth grade promotion, and fifth grade class special events. All of these extra-curricular activities provide opportunities for students to learn and socialize together – building healthy and positive relationships.

A parent has written that her son has become very fond of Ms. Payne and her name is commonly used at the dinner table when he talks about his school day, and naturally it is always positive. Ms. Payne takes the time to encourage and support this child and to make him feel special.

She also makes it a point to stay in constant contact with all parents and keep them informed of their children's progress. Another parent has written that Ms. Payne has been instrumental in keeping the lines of communication open among all the members of her son's IEP team, including his primary teacher, his occupational therapist, and his speech therapist. She believes it is this well-coordinated teamwork that has been fostered that is the primary reason he is now academically on par with the other children in his grade level and recently made Honor Roll.

Ms. Payne has provided a wonderful link between the general education class and the special education department. She is proficient in documenting her students' progress. Ms. Payne has the temperament, motivation and desire to succeed in any endeavor she undertakes. Ms. Payne has made a commitment to public education. As a result, hundreds of students have benefitted from her expertise and enthusiasm. For these reasons and others too numerous to mention, Ms. Angela Payne is recognized as the ACE Educator of the Year for Greenbelt Elementary School. Will Ms. Payne's family, friends, and supporters please stand.

Our ACE Educator Award for **Springhill Lake Elementary School goes to Ms. Lindsay Romaine.**

Every educator draws from a taxonomy of descriptive traits that highlights their character. Several words come to our mind when we think about Ms. Lindsay Romaine—Distinguished, Extraordinary, Sterling, and Remarkable. Ms. Romaine joined the Springhill Lake Family in the 2013-2014 Academic School Year as a Kindergarten Teacher. Her service to our scholars has been par exceptional. At any time of the day, you will enter Ms. Romaine's classroom and see her students eagerly at work and enjoying their learning day.

Ms. Romaine currently serves as the Kindergarten Grade Level Chair. Her Leadership attributes allow for her team to meet and exceed learning expectations. Ms. Romaine employs a variety of approaches to clarify the intended objective/standards. She helps students in analyzing what is being asked of them and devises methods to help them utilize their skills and talents to master learning tasks. Because of her teaching, several of her former Kindergarten students have been identified this year as first grade TAG students. Ms. Romaine also serves as one of our Soaring Eagles Teachers working with Intermediate students. She ensures that they are putting all efforts forward to excel academically.

Ms. Lindsay Romaine is absolutely deserving of this prestigious recognition from Greenbelt ACE. It is our honor to have such a dedicated educator in our school community and ACE is happy to recognize her as an Outstanding Educator for 2016. I would like to invite Ms. Romaine to say a few words, and to be recognized by the City Council and other dignitaries. It takes a village to make a great teacher, so I would now like to invite Ms. Romaine's family, friends and supporters to please stand.

Next we have the award for **Magnolia Elementary School, which is presented to Ms. Leslie Tapscott-Mull.** Ms. Tapscott has been working in education for 16 years, has been a teacher at Magnolia for the past five years,

and is currently Reading Specialist and Testing Coordinator. She is an exceptional teacher who soars to the top on every occasion. Her profound concern for every student inspires their choices each day and she commits to doing everything her capabilities for the advancement of each student's knowledge and skills.

Students from Kindergarten through 6th grade are provided with the highest quality of intervention for remediation and enhancement of learning. There is superior use of technology, thereby developing learners who are in pulse with the latest trends of learning keys and menus. Ms. Tapscott's talent in story-telling allows anyone who hears her flawless and imaginative delivery of materials to feel the "coming to life" of every character, setting, and event in the story. In addition, with her extensive knowledge in areas of teaching and learning, she can answer just about every question with substantial explanation and examples.

Ms. Tapscott's active involvement also includes a number of leadership roles at Magnolia. She is Testing Coordinator and part of the Leadership Team. She created a Reading Club that entices students to develop their love of reading and helps them embrace the lessons that go with it. Ms. Tapscott is also an active proponent of the North Bay Project for 6th grade, which allows better opportunities to reach out and communicate with parents.

So with her unquestionable personal and professional ethics, Ms. Tapscott is a perfect model for other educators. Indeed, she is an extraordinary educator worthy to receive this ACE Educator Award. It is an extreme honour to salute Ms. Leslie Tapscott-Mull as Magnolia Elementary's 2016 ACE Awardee. I'd like to invite Ms. Tapscott's family, friends and supporters to please stand.

The outstanding educator award for **Turning Point Academy goes to Ms. Karen Thompson.** Ms. Thompson is a professional school counselor. She received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Elementary Education from Bowie State University and a Master's in Educational Counseling from the University of Phoenix. Her educational career includes 20 years of counseling and teaching both elementary school and college level courses.

Ms. Thompson arrives to work with the same lovely smile and eagerness to serve every day. Her calm and friendly demeanor is an asset to the staff and student population. Often, Ms. Thompson remains at work beyond work hours, preparing for the next day's hectic responsibilities. She can be trusted to get the job done and done well.

Serving as the Student Government Association Coordinator, she works well with student leaders, while inspiring the remaining student population to be the best they can. Her favorite mantra, "I can. I will. End of story!" is often recited while teaching afternoon classes. It has been used by many of her students to remind themselves they too can do it, only if they believe...and try.

Ms. Thompson is diligent, dedicated, determined and down-right special and is truly appreciated for her outstanding service to Turning Point Academy. ACE would like to present the Educator Award for Turning Point Academy to Ms. Karen Thompson. I'd like to invite Ms. Thompson's family, friends and supporters to please stand.

The ACE Educator Award for **Dora Kennedy French Immersion School is presented to Ms. Belle Ange Mbaya.** Ms. Mbaya is chair of the Middle School Math Department, working with grades 6-8. She is also a National Board Certified Teacher. Ms. Mbaya instructs everyone in math. She tutors students, she provides professional development and training for staff members, and she runs math workshops for parents to empower them in helping their children to do homework assignments. This has enabled her to see outstanding results from her students.

Ms. Mbaya has an excellent rapport with her students, the staff, and the parents, and her classroom management skills are superior. ACE is pleased to present this year's Educator Award for the Dora Kennedy French Immersion School to Ms. Belle Ange Mbaya. I'd like to invite Ms. Mbaya's family, friends and supporters to please stand.

The ACE Educator Award for Greenbelt Middle School is presented to Ms. Shirley Guerrier.

Ms. Guerrier teaches 7th grade science at GMS. She has been at GMS for the last four years and during that time, she has consistently shown that students are her first priority. She motivates her charges with engaging lessons and they have responded by garnering the best results in the entire school. Her students have the highest GPAs, the best attendance and the fewest discipline issues. Her excellence in class led to her being assigned as a Grade Level Team Leader and under her leadership, her team has inspired their students to achieve higher GPAs, better attendance and fewer discipline issues than any other grade level at GMS.

Ms. Guerrier also works to provide excellent enrichment for students by sponsoring the Newspaper Club. ACE is very pleased to present the 2016 Educator Award for Greenbelt Middle School to Ms. Shirley Guerrier. I'd like to invite Ms. Guerrier's family, friends and supporters to please stand.

The final ACE Educator Award of the evening goes to Mr. Tetsuo Ogawa at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Mr. Ogawa has been a valued member of the Eleanor Roosevelt High School faculty for nine years. His positive attitude, love of the Japanese language and culture are reflected in the outstanding quality of instruction that he has maintained at Eleanor Roosevelt.

Through his enthusiasm, hard work and careful planning, Eleanor Roosevelt has won numerous awards for the Japanese program. He has expanded the cultural exchange program to include a STEM-focused school exchange with another school in Japan. Students are able to collaborate on important projects facing our society. A special highlight of the program was meeting Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and President Barack Obama at the White House last spring.

His innovativeness and his genuine concerns for children are exemplary. Mr. Ogawa's flexibility in working with students, teachers and the public has earned him an enviable reputation throughout the district as an excellent teacher.

Mr. Ogawa demonstrates the highest level of professional commitment and competency in his work with students and colleagues. He is presently the department chairperson for our World Language program and generously shares his valuable time with staff and students. In addition to his schedule at Eleanor Roosevelt, Mr. Ogawa teaches at one of the local universities. ACE is happy to announce Mr. Tetsuo Ogawa as the Eleanor Roosevelt High School ACE Educator of the Year!

I would like to invite Mr. Ogawa's family, friends, and supporters to please stand.

Thank you all for helping us to recognize our award winners this evening. From elementary school to high school, we see that Greenbelt educators are doing truly wonderful things. The members of ACE feel privileged to be working with these outstanding educators to help make Greenbelt schools great.

I'd like to remind the award winners to come up now for a group photo with all our participating dignitaries. The rest of you should please finish the cookies and snacks on your way out!

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, January 4, 2016, to discuss Upgrading Cablecasting and Presentation Capabilities.

Mayor Jordan started the meeting at 7:02 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

PRESENT WERE: Council Members Judith F. Davis, Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Edward V. J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts, and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; Beverly Palau, Public Information and Communications Coordinator; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT WAS: Andrew Sherer, Design & Integration, Inc.

Mayor Jordan explained that the purpose of this work session is to review the recommendation of Design & Integration (D&I) on upgrading the City's cablecasting and presentation capability in the Council Room and in the Community Center. He expressed the need to be able to broadcast from the Community Center since Council's Wednesday work sessions as well as many community programs are held in the building. Ms. Palau said D&I has done this type of upgrade work in the Council Chambers of Montgomery County and the City of College Park and come highly recommended.

Mayor Jordan said Council uses the Multipurpose Room in the Community Center for its Wednesday work sessions because of the use of the Council Room by Greenbelt CARES sessions for counseling sessions that evening. Mr. McLaughlin advised that Dr. Park, Director of Greenbelt CARES, has recently indicated CARES can reschedule their Wednesday sessions to another evening.

Andrew Sherer reviewed the D&I System Overview & Recommendations Report dated February 24, 2015. He said that the upgrades presented in the proposed design represent a significant improvement in terms of features, functionality, and end results over the existing system. He added that the proposed system will bring the City in alignment with current high definition standards that are present throughout the production and broadcast industries.

Ms. Davis said she agreed Wi-Fi should be provided in the Community Center but felt any additional money needed to upgrade cablecasting and presentation capability should be used for improvements to the Council Room. Mr. Sherer agreed that spending funds on a single system that meets all the City's needs instead of having two limited systems would be most cost beneficial. He said having all broadcasts in the Council Room ensures that the City is getting the most out of the investment.

Mr. Sherer explained the proposed upgrades for the Council Room include robotic cameras, camera inputs, podium inputs, wireless microphones, lighting and television monitors, as well as upgrades to the control room. He said the cost for the proposed upgrades is \$131,235, but the cost may change based upon the final design selected by the City.

Mr. Sherer said the Community Center Multipurpose Room is not very suitable for broadcast applications. In addition to \$76,766 in proposed audiovisual equipment, this room would require significant changes including a new lighting system, acoustic treatment, a backdrop and perhaps a riser for the staging which would increase the costs significantly.

Mr. Roberts said he did not think television monitors on the walls in the Council Room were necessary. Mayor Jordan disagreed, and said the monitors were needed so the public would have the opportunity to view documents. Mr. Sherer explained that the monitors could be turned on only during presentations. Mayor Jordan asked if it would be possible to share documents from a councilmember's laptop or iPad to the monitor. Mr. Sherer said yes and estimated the cost for this option to be an additional \$500 to \$1,000.

Mayor Jordan stressed the need to have at least one room in the Community Center with accessibility. Mr. Sherer said installation of projection equipment and providing connectivity could be done relatively inexpensively. Ms. Palau said broadcasting could be done on occasion with the use of flypack equipment.

Mayor Jordan asked about funding the project. Mr. McLaughlin said \$50,000 is budgeted for this work in the Special Projects fund. He added that the Special Projects fund has a sufficient fund balance to cover the additional costs. In response to a question from Ms. Davis, Mr. McLaughlin said Public, Education and Governmental (PEG) funds are in the Special Projects Fund.

After discussion, Mr. McLaughlin explained there were two options going forward: 1) proceed with the recommendations presented by D&I; or 2) issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) and ask D&I to be a respondent.

Mr. Putens mentioned current sound problems with the video streaming and stressed the need for good communications throughout the upgrade project with Verizon and Comcast. Mr. Sherer agreed and said that he had already been in touch with Comcast. Mr. McLaughlin said much of the existing problem is due to the age and condition of the City's equipment and was not a Verizon or Comcast issue.

Mr. Orleans, Greenbelt, said all Council work sessions should be held in the Council Room. He suggested that Council consider increasing the size of the Council Room which would allow for its use for other events also.

The meeting ended at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cindy Murray
City Clerk*

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Wednesday, January 20, 2016, for the purpose of holding a stakeholder meeting with representatives of Capital Office Park.

Mayor Jordan started the meeting at 8:01 p.m. The meeting was held in Room 201 of the Greenbelt Community Center.

PRESENT WERE: Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Edward V. J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager, and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: John O'Hearn, Vice-President of Leasing, and Michael Hueston, Property Manager, Mack-Cali; and Bill Orleans.

Mr. O'Hearn and Mr. Hueston provided an update on Capital Office Park (COP). They said the buildings are 72 percent occupied and they have an 87 percent tenant retention rate. Mr. Hueston mentioned that they have a wide variety of tenants including law firms, mortgage companies, NASA contractors, etc.

Mr. O'Hearn advised that Kaiser Permanente had considered leasing 100,000 sq. ft. but when their space requirements were raised to 150,000 to 200,000 sq. ft., they were unable to accommodate it in COP.

In response to a question from Mr. Putens, Mr. O'Hearn said the possible relocation of the FBI to Greenbelt will be a draw for new tenants to COP. Mr. Putens suggested Mr. O'Hearn contact Garth Beall of Renard Development to determine if there was anything COP could do to help with the process. Mr. Putens and Ms. Davis mentioned the Four Cities Video and suggested COP may be able to use the video to promote COP to prospective tenants.

Mr. O'Hearn said he had been with Mack-Cali for over 20 years and relocated to his present position in COP last September. He complimented Council on how pro-business the City is, noting he had never been invited to meet with local government officials before.

Mayor Jordan asked about the size of the Mack-Cali staff in Capital Office Park. Mr. Hueston said two property managers, four engineers and one administrative person. He said all other work was done through contractors.

In response to a question from Ms. Davis, Mr. Hueston said Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification had been obtained for one of its government leased areas. He reported Energy Star certification had been received for building 6411 and they are working towards achieving this certification in other buildings. Ms. Davis suggested a plaque or notice be placed in the building lobby to promote the certification. Mr. Hueston said they have received Energy Star stickers and they would be put up soon.

Mr. Herling asked if Mack-Cali had any thoughts on expanding COP into residential housing. Mr. O'Hearn said no, not with any of the existing commercial building. He mentioned that it was possible some undeveloped land could be considered for residential at some point in the future.

Ms. Davis mentioned that the minutes of the last work session with COP in 2012 indicated that COP was going to send the City a letter requesting a crosswalk be installed on Ivy Lane. Mr. Hueston said he would check but doesn't think a formal request (letter) was ever sent to the City.

In response to a question from Mayor Jordan, Mr. Hueston said he meets regularly with representatives of Greenbelt Marriott, Greenbelt Federal Courthouse, etc.

Ms. Mach mentioned a group in Franklin Park was trying to set up a cooperative child care center. Mr. O'Hearn said child care would be a great amenity to COP but said there was no available space to meet the child care requirement of direct access to an outside play area. Ms. Mach suggested the use of trailers for a child care center be considered.

Mayor Jordan thanked COP for participating in the City's Business Breakfasts. Mr. O'Hearn advised they hold Baskin Robbins Days and Omelet Days for COP tenants and would inform Council when the next events are scheduled. Mr. Putens suggested a "Get to Know Greenbelt" event for COP tenants to let them know about City services, amenities, etc.

Ms. Davis asked about accommodations in COP for bike riders. Mr. Hueston said a bike rack had been installed outside one of their buildings but bicycles were not allowed inside their buildings. After discussion, he said they would look into the possibility of bike lockers.

Mr. Putens asked if Mack-Cali had any interest in construction of a senior living facility. Mr. O'Hearn explained their residential business is focused around the millennial population, not senior populations.

The meeting ended at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cindy Murray
City Clerk*

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, February 1, 2016, to review the Proposal to Dredge Greenbelt Lake Forebays.

Mayor Jordan started the meeting at 8:02 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

PRESENT WERE: Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Edward V. J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan. Mr. Putens arrived at 9:01pm.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; Terri Hruby, Assistant Director of Planning; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Ken Dunn, Soltesz Engineering; Neil Weinsten, Center for Low Impact Development; Pete Littleton and Tasha Brokenberry, Corvias; and Diane Oberg, News Review.

Terri Hruby explained that the dredging of the forebays is an unfunded capital project that has been identified by two City environmental consultants as needed to address the sediment loads within the forebays and to restore the functionality of the forebays. She said that Soltesz is working with the Clean Water Partnership (CWP) to help Prince George's County meet its required stormwater management retrofit goals and has proposed for the County to dredge and maintain the two existing forebays at Greenbelt Lake. Ms. Hruby said that the project, which will be fully funded by the County's Stormwater fee, will assist the County in meeting its Environmental Protection Agency pollutant reduction goals while improving the overall water quality of Greenbelt Lake. She added that the County would be responsible for maintenance of the forebays for the next 30 years if the proposal is accepted.

Ms. Hruby reviewed the scope of project and the survey work that has been done by Soltesz. She said the dredging of the Greenbelt Lake forebays is needed and staff believes the opportunity being presented by the CWP represents a win-win for the City and the County. Ms. Hruby said the City has an obligation to maintain the functionality of the forebays and the cost to do so is significant.

Mr. Roberts said the CWP should be focused on projects to deal with the large numbers of asphalt parking lots in the County. Mr. Littleton explained there are many plans to do this type of work throughout the County on public and some faith based properties but noted it is challenging to do work on private property. He said they are looking to identify more sites in municipalities throughout the County.

Mr. Roberts said he doesn't see the proposed project as providing a long term positive impact. He expressed concern with the negative impact the project will have on the beaver(s), the beaver dam and trees.

Mr. Dunn provided a PowerPoint presentation and reviewed the project plans. He explained they are seeking Council's conditional approval for the submittal of the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Wetland permit application and the sediment erosion control plans to the Soil Conservation District. Mr. Dunn said allowing the permits and plans to be submitted to the regulatory agencies now will provide an opportunity for environmental and wildlife issues to

be identified by the reviewing agencies. He noted that as long as the permitting process goes well, the project will likely begin in April and will take approximately three (3) months to complete.

Ms. Davis spoke in support of the project but noted that April is nesting time for turtles, tadpoles, etc. Mr. Weinstein said when the project plans go to MDE for review, MDE will inspect and consider wildlife conditions. He said it was very likely that MDE would put a condition on approval, such as no work during specific time periods to protect nests, etc. Ms. Davis asked if sticks can be left on-site so the beaver(s) will not have to find new sticks. Mr. Weinstein said yes.

Mr. Roberts asked why the large pumps that are used for beach replenishment and canal projects couldn't be used to pump out sediment in the lake. Mr. Weinstein explained that these types of pumps require a very large space and a larger body of water than what is available at the lake.

Mr. Roberts suggested the plans be reviewed by the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (GreenACES) and the Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB). Mr. Herling agreed. Ms. Mach suggested GreenACES and PRAB meet jointly to review the plans. Ms. Pope noted the need to have the review done as soon as possible.

In response to a question from Ms. Mach, Mr. Weinstein said the construction project team will work its schedule around events scheduled at Buddy Attick Park.

Mayor Jordan asked when the dredging would be done as part of the City's work plan if Council did not accept this proposal. Mr. McLaughlin said he viewed the forebay project as being part of the lake dredging project and the cost estimate was \$1 million five years ago. He said it continues to be one of the highest priority projects if funding can be found, but said he doesn't see it being funded through the use of City funds for the next 10 years.

Mr. Roberts suggested the CWP consider work on the concrete spillway through Stream Valley Park to address the stormwater runoff. Mr. Dunn said he would have that area evaluated.

Mr. Putens suggested having information posted on the project site explaining the project, its timeline and a brief description of the work to be done. Mr. Littleton said this could be done.

After further discussion, Council requested this item be included on the agenda for its February 8, 2016, meeting.

Council Reports

Ms. Davis reported on Roosevelt Center Merchants Association meeting.

Mayor Jordan reported on the Board of Directors meeting for the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG).

Ms. Davis reported on the COG Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee meeting.

Informational Items

Several informational items were discussed.

The meeting ended at 10:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cindy Murray
City Clerk*

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WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Wednesday, February 3, 2016.

Mayor Jordan started the meeting at 7:02 p.m. The meeting was held in Room 201 of the Greenbelt Community Center.

PRESENT WERE: Council Members Judith F. Davis, Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Edward V. J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts, and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager, and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Todd Turner, Council Member – Prince George’s County; David Iannucci, Assistant Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Economic Development – Prince George’s County; and Garth Beall and Paul Summers, Renard Development.

Executive Session

Ms. Davis moved that Council conduct an Executive Session in accordance with Section 3-305(b)(4) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland to consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business to locate in the State. Ms. Pope seconded.

<i>ROLL CALL:</i>	<i>Ms. Davis</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Yes</i>
	<i>Mr. Herling</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Yes</i>
	<i>Ms. Mach</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Yes</i>
	<i>Ms. Pope</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Yes</i>
	<i>Mr. Putens</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Yes</i>
	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>No</i>
	<i>Mayor Jordan</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Yes</i>

Council moved into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m.

Council reconvened to open session at 8:10 p.m.

Transit Meeting

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Terri Hruby, Assistant Director of Planning, and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Ginger Murphy and Julie Hershorn, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA); Anthony Foster and GERALYN BRUCE, Prince George’s County Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T); Anna Socrates, Stephen Holland and Suzette Agans, Transit Riders United of Greenbelt (TRU-G); Jim Giese, Greenbelt News Review; and Bill Orleans.

Ms. Bruce provided an overview of the Prince George’s County Department of Public Works and Transportation. She indicated that transit trip planning capability will be available through the County’s website in approximately three (3) months.

Ms. Murphy provided an update on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). She advised that beginning March 27, 2016, Routes G12, G13, G14 and G16 will be simplified to Routes G12 and G14 and Sunday service will be added to Routes C2, G12 and G14. Ms. Murphy and Ms. Hruby discussed the promotion/advertising of the new service. Ms. Davis suggested providing the information to area churches also for their congregations.

Ms. Murphy advised that the old red, white and blue design busses are being removed from transit operations as new replacement transit busses arrive. Mr. Roberts asked how the new busses are fueled. Ms. Murphy said about half are fueled with Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and the other half are fueled with clean diesel or diesel hybrid.

Council reviewed the WMATA and County ridership and performance data. They expressed concern regarding the on-time performance of County Routes 11, 16 and 15X. Stephen Holland, Tru-G, said he is a rider on Route 15X and it is nearly always on-time. Suzette Agans, TRU-G, reported that she is rider on Route 11 and said it has been arriving five to ten minutes late since October.

Ms. Murphy advised that although overall bus ridership was down 5% in the State and 3% in the County, Greenbelt ridership numbers have been increasing. In response to a request from Ms. Davis, Ms. Murphy said WMATA can provide comparison of ridership information for previous years also when the next meeting is held.

There was discussion regarding Customer Feedback, Greenbelt Area Routes. Ms. Mach suggested renaming the "Complaint Category" to "Customer Feedback" since this is the section that includes both complaints and commendations. Ms. Murphy said WMATA takes customer service very seriously and reviewed the steps taken when a complaint is filed against a driver.

Mayor Jordan mentioned some concerns with the bus staging areas at Metro. Ms. Murphy said WMATA is looking at possibly restructuring the bus bays with busses possibly sharing bays.

Mr. Herling said the City has received complaints from residents regarding speeding busses. Ms. Murphy said WMATA had no record of any complaints regarding speeding busses. She asked that residents notify WMATA of any concerns and provide the date, time, location and bus number if possible.

There was discussion regarding bus routes during weather events. Ms. Bruce said TheBus stays only on major thoroughfares during snow events unless a decision is made to discontinue service. Ms. Murphy distributed Metro Bus Snow Detour Maps that are utilized during light and moderate snow events.

Mayor Jordan thanked the representatives for attending the work session. He suggested Council meet with WMATA and DPW&T in six months.

Informational Items

Several informational items were discussed.

The meeting ended at 10:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cindy Murray
City Clerk*

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Wednesday, February 10, 2016, for the purpose of a City Manager Update.

Mayor Jordan started the meeting at 8:05 p.m. The meeting was held in Room 201 of the Community Center.

PRESENT WERE: Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Edward V. J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager and David Moran, Assistant City Manager.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Bill Orleans and Dianne Oberg, News Review.

Monthly Financial Report

Mr. McLaughlin discussed a February 4 City Manager Update memo. He indicated revenues and expenditures were on track based on the FY 2016 Adopted Budget. Mr. McLaughlin reported that red light and speed camera receipts were ahead of budget and there were savings due to lower gasoline costs.

Mayor Jordan discussed County revenues and expressed concern about the loss of School Resource Officer (SRO) funding. It was suggested that Bowie, Hyattsville and Greenbelt send a letter to the County Executive reminding him about this issue.

Mr. McLaughlin reviewed the January 27 financial report memo from the City Treasurer. Ms. Davis asked about the GHI assessments. Mr. McLaughlin responded that City staff would be meeting with GHI staff to discuss the issue. He reported that expenditures were trending below the adopted budget.

Ms. Davis asked about Police Department vacancies. Mr. McLaughlin responded that police officer recruitment is a long process.

Mayor Jordan asked about lower hotel/motel tax revenue. Mr. McLaughlin responded that sometimes this is a result of receiving payments at different intervals.

Preliminary FY 17 Budget

Mr. McLaughlin reported a drop in apartment values. He also indicated a drop in commercial office values due to vacancy rates.

Under General Fund Summary Revenues, Mr. McLaughlin noted that the City was only estimating a \$300,000 revenue increase from the prior year. He stated these were preliminary numbers.

Management Objectives

Council reviewed the Management Objectives. Council wanted to hold a work session on the Organizational Assessment. After discussion, Council agreed to wait until the Hyattsville

Community Development Corporation completed their work, before moving forward on the tax credit or grant program.

There was a discussion of cable negotiations. Mr. McLaughlin indicated that there was a satisfactory agreement given to Montgomery County, but Comcast was unwilling to give the same agreement to Prince George's County.

Ms. Mach noted problems with the Safe Routes to Schools program at Springhill Lake Elementary School and expressed concern about applying for another grant for Greenbelt Elementary School.

Council reviewed the Capital Projects Update and the Council Action Request Report.

Informational Items

Ms. Pope reported a shopping cart stuck in the mud near the lake park entrance on Lakecrest Drive.

Ms. Davis stated that she was concerned about the Greenbelt East numbers on the Police statistical report. She provided a Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments report on the Zika virus. She also shared a Sierra Club publication.

The meeting ended at 10:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*David E. Moran
Assistant City Manager*

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, February 22, 2016.

Mayor Jordan called the meeting to order at 8:08 p.m.

ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Rodney M. Roberts and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan. Councilmember Edward V. J. Putens was unavailable to attend.

ALSO PRESENT were Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; David Moran, Assistant City Manager; Karen Ruff, Associate to the City Solicitor; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

Mayor Jordan asked for a moment of silence in memory of residents Regina Suter Wright and John O'Brien and former residents Joan Crompton and Betty Mavis Loeffler Fletcher. Ms. Mach then led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: It was moved by Ms. Pope and seconded by Ms. Davis that the consent agenda be approved. The motion passed 6-0.

Council thereby took the following actions:

Minutes:

Interview, January 28, 2016
Regular Meeting, January 28, 2016
Regular Meeting, February 8, 2016
Approved as presented.

Committee Reports:

Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Report #2016-1 (Trail Condition and Maintenance – North Preserve): Council accepted this report and will consider it on the agenda of a future meeting.

Advisory Planning Board, Report #2016-1 (Greenbelt Auto & Truck – Modification to Non-Conforming Use Certification): Council accepted this report and will consider it on this agenda as Item #17.

Renewal of County Liquor Licenses: Council took no position on the renewals of all County liquor licenses up for renewal this spring.

Advisory Planning Board Report #2016-1 (Greenbelt Auto & Truck – Modification to Non-Conforming Use Certification): Council supported Greenbelt Auto & Truck's request to modify its non-conforming use certification to allow for the construction of a 12'Lx20'Wx12'H storage building on the subject premises with the condition that the Applicant agree to install landscaping along the rear of the proposed storage building and that the building is to be removed if the business ceases to operate.

Reappointments to Advisory Group: Council appointed Donna Hoffmeister and Damien Ossi to new terms on the Forest Preserve Advisory Board.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: It was moved by Mr. Herling and seconded by Ms. Pope that the agenda be approved. The motion passed 6-0.

PRESENTATIONS:

Malcolm Augustine: Malcolm Augustine, the Prince George’s County representative to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Board of Directors, provided an update on WMATA.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS:

Brian Almquist, 112 Hedgewood Drive, read a petition requesting Council/City to: 1) stop advertising the Greenbelt Animal Shelter as a “No Kill” or “No Kill for convenience” organization; and 2) implement within Greenbelt Animal Control adequate record keeping policies and practices. (Copy of petition attached to minutes.)

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mr. McLaughlin announced that the Four Cities Video, which premiered Saturday at Greenbelt Theatre, was available on the City’s website and social media sites. He also announced that a Rain Garden Workshop will be held this Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Public Works.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

LEGISLATION:

An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland to Make a Supplemental Appropriation in the General Fund in the Amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) for the Acquisition of Certain Real Property Known as 10-A Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland

Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Mach introduced the ordinance for second reading and adoption. Ms. Davis seconded.

In response to a question from Ms. Davis, Mr. McLaughlin said the future use of the current Museum office space at the Community Center will be discussed with Recreation staff during budget review meetings.

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

The ordinance was declared adopted (Ordinance No. 1344, Book 12).

ATHA BIKE INFRASTRUCTURE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Jessica Bellah, Community Planner, explained that communities within the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area (ATHA), in cooperation with ATHA Inc., hosted several regional bike planning meetings. She said the meetings were designed to identify potential bike connections between communities, share existing local and County bike planning initiatives, and promote cooperation in bike planning between communities. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to establish a working group and further guide discussions has been proposed.

Ms. Davis asked why the City of Bowie and the Town of Cheverly were not participating/included in the MOU. Ms. Bellah said the working group consisted of municipalities in immediate proximity to each other.

Ms. Davis moved that Council: 1) approve the City's participation in the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area Bike Infrastructure Memorandum of Understanding; and 2) appoint Mayor Jordan as the representative to the working group with an alternate member to be selected at a later time. Mr. Herling seconded.

The motion passed 6-0.

Special Order Agenda Item: Ms. Davis moved to special order Item 14 "State Legislation" to the next item of business on the agenda. Ms. Pope seconded.

The motion passed 6-0.

STATE/COUNTY LEGISLATION:

CB-3-2016 – Prohibition on Hydraulic Fracturing: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Mr. Roberts moved that Council support CB-3-2016 with an amendment that "open space zones and agricultural zones" be included in the zones where mining and exploration of natural gas by hydraulic fracturing are prohibited. Ms. Davis seconded.

Mr. Moran advised that these zones are already included in the proposed legislation but its letter of support can reiterate Council's concern.

The motion passed 6-0.

SB 323/HB 610 – Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act - Reauthorization: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Pope moved that Council support SB 323/HB 610. Ms. Mach seconded.

The motion passed 6-0.

HB 211/SB 198 – Pollinator Protection Act of 2016: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Davis moved that Council support HB 211/SB 198. Mr. Herling seconded.

The motion passed 6-0.

HB 1106/SB 921 – Clean Energy Jobs - Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard Revisions:
Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Mayor Jordan moved that Council support HB 1106/SB 921 with an amendment that Section 11-708.1 (D) (2) include a broader category of displaced workers, such as individuals in need of career retraining. Ms. Davis seconded.

The motion passed 6-0.

HB 1287/SB 867 – Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Eligible Sources: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Mach moved that Council support HB 1287/SB 867. Ms. Davis seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

SB 607/HB 829 – Cattle, Swine & Poultry - Use of Antimicrobial Drugs: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Mach moved that Council support SB 607/HB 829. Mr. Herling seconded.

Ms. Davis and Ms. Pope expressed concern that not enough information was provided on this bill. Mayor Jordan agreed and asked whether Council needed to take an action prior to meeting with the legislators at its scheduled Legislative Dinner. Mr. Moran said no, noting that committee hearings on the bill are scheduled for March 1 and 2.

Mr. Roberts and Ms. Mach expressed their support for the bill to address concerns regarding the overuse of antibiotics for farm animals.

After further discussion, Ms. Davis moved that Council table this item to the next meeting. Ms. Pope seconded. The motion passed 4-2. (Mach, Roberts)

HB 436/SB 468 – Speed Camera Repeal: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Davis moved the Council oppose HB 436/SB 468. Mr. Herling seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

HB 524 – Foreclosure – Responsible Party Registration: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Pope moved the Council support HB 524. Ms. Davis seconded.

Mr. Moran reported that HB 524 had failed in committee last Friday.

Ms. Pope withdrew her motion. Ms. Davis withdrew her second.

SB 776/HB 1361 – Hotel Tax – Limited Residential Lodging: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Davis moved that Council support SB 776/HB 1361. Ms. Pope seconded.

Ms. Davis said this bill would charge the hotel/motel tax to internet based lodging entities like Airbnb, as well as provide a number of safeguards for consumers. Ms. Mach commented on the similarity of this legislation to the Marketplace Fairness Act.

Mayor Jordan said he agrees with the concept of the bill but thinks some of the specifics of the bill, such as four year occupancy reporting, are cumbersome.

The motion passed 4-2. (Jordan, Roberts)

GREENBELT STATION SOUTH CORE – PHASE 3 DETAILED SITE PLAN: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Davis removed this item from the table. Ms. Mach seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

Jessica Bellah, Community Planner, explained that the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) has referred the Greenbelt Station South Core Phase Three (3) Detailed Site Plan (DSP) 13045 to the City for review and comment. This case is scheduled for review at the Planning Board level and a hearing date has been set for March 10, 2016. M-NCPPC has requested that the City provide their comments for inclusion in the case record. As outlined in the Development Agreement, the city is afforded approval authority of detailed site plans and the applicant is required to obtain the city's approval for DSP-13045.

Ms. Bellah advised that staff had reviewed the DSP, landscape plan and architectural plan proposed in Phase 3 and had recommended forty-five (45) conditions of approval indicated in her memorandums dated February 4, 2016, and February 8, 2016. At the last Council meeting, each of the conditions of approval were discussed and Woodlawn Development Group (WDG) agreed to incorporate thirty-five (35) of the staff recommended conditions prior to plan certification and Council removed the pedestrian overpass from the plans in its entirety.

Ms. Bellah said Planning staff and WDG have worked toward resolution to the remaining unresolved conditions. She reviewed her memorandum of February 19, 2016, and advised that only two unresolved conditions remain: 1) Noise barrier wall be constructed of a masonry material; and 2) Building groups for lots 1-6 and 7-12 be reduced from 6 units each to 5 units each to restore the green open space as presented in prior submissions.

There was discussion regarding the Plywall sound fence indicated in the DSP. Michael German and Norman Rivera, WDG, explained that the Plywall sound fence indicated in the DSP is in accordance with the sound engineer's recommendation. They said that although the annual maintenance costs are similar between masonry and Plywall, the replacement costs to the homeowner association (HOA) will be significantly higher with a masonry material. Mr. German said the lifespan expectation of the Plywall sound fence is in excess of 50 years.

Mr. Roberts disagreed, stating that the Plywall sound fence will be more costly to the HOA than a masonry sound fence. He added that a good quality masonry sound fence will last for about one

hundred years.

Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis and Ms. Mach indicated their preference for the Plywall sound fence.

In response to a question from Ms. Pope, Mr. German said the HOA prefers the use of the Plywall sound fence.

There was discussion regarding the reduction of building groups for lots 1-6 and 7-12 to restore the green open space as presented in prior submissions. Mr. Rivera said the open space areas have increased 20% since the original DSP submission. He commented that the elimination of lots is not appropriate as the proposed unit count is well below the number agreed to within the development agreement.

Ms. Davis moved conditional approval of the Detailed Site Plan for Greenbelt Station with the condition that the reduction of building groups for lots 1-6 and 7-12 be reduced from 6 units each to 5 units each to restore the green open space as presented in prior submissions. Mr. Herling seconded.

The motion passed 5-1. (Roberts)

Council expressed its appreciation to staff and WDG for working to resolve the majority of the conditions.

COUNCIL REPORTS: Councilmembers commented on their attendance at the following events.

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Transportation Planning Board Meeting – Mr. Herling
Maryland Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council Meeting – Mr. Herling
Prince George’s County Municipal Association Meeting – Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis, Mr. Herling, Ms. Pope and Mr. Putens
National Capital Region Emergency Preparedness Council Meeting - Ms. Davis
Maryland Municipal League Legislative Committee Meeting – Ms. Davis
Black History Month Commemoration sponsored by Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club
Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis, Mr. Herling and Mr. Putens
Four Cities Video Premier at Greenbelt Theatre – Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis, Mr. Herling and Mr. Putens
Prince George’s County Leadership Council Meeting sponsored by County Council Member Franklin – Mayor Jordan and Ms. Davis
COG Board of Directors Meeting – Mayor Jordan
Teen Summit 2016 at Beltway Plaza – Mayor Jordan
Hyattsville Community Development Corporation Meetings – Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis, Ms. Mach, Ms. Pope and Mr. Roberts

MEETINGS: Council reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule.

2016 Meeting Schedule: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Mach moved the following changes to the 2016 meeting calendar:

- Reschedule Monday, March 28th Regular Meeting to Tuesday, March 29th (Easter Monday)
- Reschedule June 13th and June 27th Regular Meetings to June 6th and June 20th (Budget Adoption Prior to June 10th and MML Conference June 26th – 29th)
- No work session on Monday, October 3rd (Rosh Hashanah)

Ms. Davis seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

Executive Session: Ms. Davis moved that Council schedule an Executive Session on Wednesday, March 9, 2016, at 8:00 p.m. in Room 201 of the Community Center, in accordance with the General Provisions Article §3-305(b) (1) and 3-305(b)(4) of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland to consider a personnel matter and a matter that concerns a proposal for a business to locate in the State.

Ms. Herling seconded.

ROLL CALL:	Ms. Davis	-	yes
	Mr. Herling	-	yes
	Ms. Mach	-	yes
	Ms. Pope	-	yes
	Mr. Putens	-	absent
	Mr. Roberts	-	no
	Mayor Jordan	-	yes

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Mach moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Pope seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Jordan adjourned the regular meeting of Monday, February 22, 2016, at 11:09 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 February 22, 2016."

Emmett V. Jordan
Mayor

Petition

Greenbelt Animal Shelter's Dubious No Kill Claim

We petition Council to work with Michael McLaughlin, Greenbelt City Manager to (1) stop advertising Greenbelt Animal Control as a "No Kill" or "No Kill for convenience" organization; and (2) implement within Greenbelt Animal Control adequate record keeping policies and practices.

The City of Greenbelt, on its website, has claimed that Greenbelt Animal Control operates a No Kill shelter. This claim appears on the No Kill Network's website listing of No Kill shelters in Maryland. McLaughlin, in his response to an inquiry regarding the claim, responded that the animal shelter has a Live Release Rate (LRR) of 98%.

We investigated this claim and contend that it is false. Subsequent to our investigation and publication of our findings, the shelter's website was changed to describe it as "No Kill for Convenience." "No Kill" already means no animals are killed for convenience; it is not clear what nuance or obfuscation the City is trying to create.

A "No Kill" shelter is an animal shelter that does not kill healthy or treatable animals even when the shelter is full, reserving euthanasia for terminally ill animals or those considered dangerous to public safety. A commonly-used minimum benchmark for claiming to be No Kill is a 90% LRR, which allows more than sufficient allowance for animals who are too incurably sick, injured, or aggressive to be adopted out. Under ASPCA guidelines, a "Live Release" includes adoptions, returns-to-owner, and transfers to outside rescue groups or agencies that *guarantee* adoption. The 90% minimum benchmark is an objective measure that any No Kill shelter would be expected to meet or pass; even if a shelter has a LRR of more than 90%, it is not a No Kill shelter if it kills animals who are not terminally ill or dangerous.

Using documents obtained by a public records request to the City we calculated the shelter's LRR to be between 49% and 83% over the 18-month period from January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015. The actual LRR is far short of both the 98% reported by McLaughlin, and the 90% which is a commonly-used minimum benchmark for claiming to be No Kill.

Reporting and recording deficiencies are widespread. In addition to the absence of adoption records for many claimed adoptions, many adoption records that were produced lack a description of the animal; lack an adopter signature; and/or lack a date. Additionally, for 9 of 10 animals killed while in the custody of the shelter, the reason for the killing was not shown in the documents provided. Moreover, animals were received by and transferred out of the City shelter without any recording at all. Through a public records request to the Prince George's County Animal Management Division (AMD), we discovered that during the same 18-month period, 17 dogs and cats were transferred from the City to the County shelter (which is *not* a No Kill shelter). None of these transfers were recorded in the City's ledger or supported by any transfer paperwork from the City. Furthermore, these animals should not be counted as live releases.

So far this issue appears to have received little interest with the City council or the City manager; neither seems to be particularly concerned about the dogs, cats, and other animals that come into the custody of the City animal shelter, the widespread reporting deficiencies, or about the dubious "No Kill" or "No Kill for Convenience" claims. The residents of Greenbelt and the State deserve more diligence and accountability in the City's government.

Brian Almquist

301-345-2583

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, February 29, 2016, for the purpose of discussing the Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance Re-Write.

Mayor Jordan started the meeting at 8:01 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

PRESENT WERE: Councilmembers Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Edward V. J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan. Councilmember Judith F. Davis was out of the country. Councilmember Silke I. Pope was sick.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; Celia Craze, Director of Planning and Community Development; Terri Hruby, Assistant Director of Planning; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Kap Kapastin, Beltway Plaza; Kathleen Gallagher, Greenbelt News Review, Molly Lester, Laura Kressler and Bill Orleans.

Mayor Jordan explained that in mid-2014, at the direction of the County Council, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) began a comprehensive re-write of the County Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations. The stated purposes of the project are: 1) streamline and simplify the regulations and approved development process; 2) modernize and consolidate zones and development standards; 3) incentivize economic and transit oriented mixed use development; and 4) protect and enhance stable residential neighborhoods.

He said the project is organized into four phases: 1) public outreach and input; 2) evaluation and recommendations; 3) drafting the new ordinance and regulations; and 4) implementing the new ordinance and regulations. It is anticipated that the final phase will be completed in late 2017.

Terri Hruby said M-NCPPC is working on completing Phase 3 and recently released Module 1) Zone and Use Regulations and Interpretations. She said Module 1 establishes three zone types - base zones, planned development zones and overlay zones. Ms. Hruby explained each of the zone types. She added that Module 1 proposes to reduce the number of zones from 73 to 42 and then reviewed the current zones and proposed zones.

Ms. Hruby said Planning staff had reviewed Module 1 and identified the following significant issues:

- 1. Deletion of the Residential Planned Community Zone (RPC) – Deletion of this zone does not provide a provision in the new zoning ordinance for the protection of Historic Greenbelt and its plan, similar or identical to the existing RPC zone.*
- 2. Deletion of the Development District Overlay Zone (DDOZ) – There is concern that a move to a more generic base zone will make it difficult to achieve the character and urban design standards developed for the Greenbelt Metro Area and 193 Corridor Sector Plan.*
- 3. Proposal to replace comprehensive design zones and mixed use zones with base zones that would allow for by-right development without detailed site plan review and approval – This is a major departure from the current process and will not afford*

municipalities/the public an opportunity to review and comment on major development projects.

- 4. Proposal to convert the C-O and C-S-C Zones to General Commercial and Office Zone (GCO) – The GCO Zones affords a lot of flexibility and mix of uses and could significantly change the character of Greenway Shopping Center, Beltway Plaza and Roosevelt Center; as well as our commercial office parks.*
- 5. Applicability of new zones - It is not obvious of the new zones proposed, which would be appropriate for Beltway Plaza, Greenbelt Homes, Incorporated, Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station and Greenbelt Station South Core.*
- 6. In general, there needs to be an analysis on the issue of the potential for creating nonconforming uses with the application of the new zones.*
- 7. Mapping of new zones - The mapping of the new zones to specific properties is not proposed to occur until after the new zoning ordinance is adopted. It is critical to the discussion of the new zones to understand what zones will apply to what properties so municipalities/the public can fully understand the implications of the new zoning ordinance before being asked to support its adoption. Also, the mapping needs to include municipal involvement.*

Ms. Hruby said Planning staff also identified a number of questions, comments and other concerns which were summarized in Attachment 2 of her memorandum of February 24, 2016. After discussion of these items, Mayor Jordan suggested the items in Attachment 2 be grouped into three categories: 1) grammatical; 2) definitional; and 3) more substantial.

Ms. Hruby advised that M-NCPPC has requested that comments on Module 1 be submitted by March 1, 2016, but has indicated comments will be accepted throughout the process.

Mayor Jordan, Mr. Putens and Ms. Mach expressed concern on the difficulty of providing comments until the specifics of the proposed zoning categories were provided. They also noted the need to be sure a role for municipalities is included throughout the process.

Kap Kapastin, Beltway Plaza, said he agreed with the objective of streamlining the zoning process which will allow for flexibility in area of uses for Beltway Plaza.

After discussion, Council requested staff prepare a letter for Council to send to M-NCPPC identifying the concerns discussed this evening. They requested the letter be included on its agenda of the March 14 meeting for approval.

The meeting ended at 10:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Cindy Murray
City Clerk*

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL/LEGISLATIVE DINNER held Wednesday, March 2, 2016, at Harry Browne's Restaurant in Annapolis, for the purpose of discussing the status of the City's legislative priorities and other legislative matters.

Mayor Jordan began the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

PRESENT WERE: Councilmembers Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Edward V. J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan. Councilmember Judith F. Davis was out of the country.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; David E. Moran, Assistant City Manager; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: State Senator Paul Pinsky; State Delegates Anne Healey and Alonzo Washington; and County Councilmember Todd Turner. State Delegate Tawanna Gaines arrived at 7:20 p.m. County School Board Representative Lupi Grady was unable to attend.

Mayor Jordan welcomed the legislators. He said the purpose of the gathering was for the City to receive an update on the status of pending legislation, including the priorities presented at the December legislative dinner.

The following City priority issues were reviewed.

SUPPORT FBI HEADQUATERS IN GREENBELT:

Mayor Jordan said that the developer has expressed concern about the financing of infrastructure at Greenbelt Station and the need for public financing. In response to a question from Delegate Washington, Mayor Jordan and Mr. McLaughlin said the City is working closely with David Iannucci, Prince George's County Assistant Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Economic Development, and Council has indicated its willingness to consider a TIF.

The delegates noted that the 495 Interchange project was the #1 priority for Prince George's County. Delegate Gaines said the State has asked the County to help with funding for the interchange project. She added that the State has never asked a local government in the past to help fund any State highway project.

Delegates Gaines and Healey both remarked that caution needs to be taken regarding all TIF's. They said that TIFs impact the wealth of the County and adversely affect educational funding.

GREENBELT ROAD STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS:

Councilmember Turner said this project remains as the #2 project planning priority for Prince George's County. He added that movement on this project will likely depend on the FBI decision.

M-NCPPC TAX ISSUE:

Senator Pinsky and Delegate Washington said they expect PG/MC 117 to move forward. They noted the bill was on the BiCounty agenda tomorrow and encouraged a representative from the City be present.

PROTECT MUNICIPAL FUNDING SOURCES:

Senator Pinsky said he was hoping funding in HB 783/SB 585 (Highway User Revenue) moved forward.

Council Member Turner said protection of the Greenbelt and Bowie School Resource Officer (SRO) funding is one of his priorities and believes the SRO's will be funded this fiscal year.

CHILDREN LIVING IN GREENBELT STATION SHOULD ATTEND GREENBELT SCHOOLS:

Ms. Mach said promises were made years ago that Greenbelt children would attend Greenbelt School but children in Greenbelt Station are going to Berwyn Heights Elementary, Greenbelt Middle School and Parkdale High Schools. She recognized that all Greenbelt schools are overcrowded, but said the other schools are overcrowded as well. Ms. Mach emphasized the importance of these children having a sense of community and the need for them to attend Greenbelt schools.

Ms. Pope added that the City supports its schools in many ways including the Advisory Committee on Education's grants programs.

Council Member Turner said he had communicated this concern to Dr. Maxwell and will request the Boundary Office review the matter. Senator Pinsky said he understood the City's concern, as well as Dr. Maxwell's situation, noting that since this can't be done for all municipalities he doesn't want to set a precedent.

Mr. Putens suggested a process be considered which would allow for children residing in the municipal boundaries of the City to make application to attend schools in the City.

City Supported/Opposed Legislation

Council noted their support of the following bills.

PG 404/HB 1130: Prince George's Plastic Bag Fee

SB 57/ HB 31: Community Cleanup & Greening Act

PG/MC 117/HB 1123: M-NCPPC Metropolitan District Boundaries

HB 435: Vegetation Management (with amendment)

SB 367/HB 862: Redeemable Container Deposit Program (with amendment)

PG 418/HB 1137: Prince George's Bag Prohibition

PG/MC 109/HB 1198: Extraordinary Development District (with amendment)

SB 323/ HB 610: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act

HB 211/SB 198: Pollinator Protection Act

HB 1106/SB 921: Clean Energy Jobs – RPS Revisions

HB 1287/SB 867: Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Eligible Sources

SB 776/HB 1361: Hotel Tax – Limited Residential Lodging

Council noted their opposition to the following bill.

PG/MC 110/HB 1027: Permit Review, Consolidation

HB 436/SB 468: Speed Camera Repeal

Other Items

There was discussion regarding Greenbelt residents serving on County Boards and Committees. Council Member Turner said appointments to Boards and Committees are managed by the County Executive's Office and approved by the County Council. He encouraged anyone interested in serving on a County Board or Committee to either contact his office or Bea Tignor, County Executive's Municipal Liaison.

The legislators thanked the City for its hospitality. Council thanked the legislators for attending.

The meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cindy Murray
City Clerk*

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Thursday, March 3, 2016, for the purpose of meeting with the Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition (GEAC).

Mayor Jordan started the meeting at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the Hunting Ridge Community Room.

PRESENT WERE: Councilmembers Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Edward V.J. Putens and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan. Councilmember Rodney M. Roberts was detained at work and arrived at 7:47 p.m. Councilmember Silke I. Pope was detained at a Belle Point Homeowners Association Meeting and arrived at 9:08 p.m. Councilmember Judith F. Davis was out of the country.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: David Moran, Assistant City Manager, and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

*ALSO PRESENT WERE: Terry Benedik of Greenbriar; Rohanie Bacchus of Greenspring II; Austin Henry of Greenspring I; Charlene MacAdams of Greenwood Village; Tom Crandall of Greenbelt Lake Village; Marcia Cain of Hunting Ridge; Dereck and Judith Thompson of Windsor Green; Laura Kressler and University of Maryland students. *Councilmember Edward V. J. Putens indicated he was representing Greenbrook Estates.*

Ms. Bacchus began with introductions. Council then reviewed the list of questions provided by GEAC.

GEAC: What is the City's policy regarding snow removal, emergency plans and routes, and penalties for businesses, individual homeowners, and homeowner associations who do not remove snow in a timely manner?

City Response: The City does not have snow emergency routes. Residents are asked to park in a driveway or on a particular side of the road if we are expecting a lot of snow.

The City works to keep all City streets passable during a storm. Following a storm, the goal is to remove snow curb to curb. Snow removal on State roads like the Beltway, Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue is performed by the State Highway Administration. The B-W Parkway is the responsibility of the National Park Service.

Businesses, homeowners and associations are expected to remove snow from their sidewalks, parking lots and private roads. There is a County regulation that requires removal within 48 hours. The City prefers to seek the cooperation of property owners throughout the community.

Residents are encouraged to help clear snow from hydrants and the media reiterated this throughout the storm. Working to clear the streets curb to curb opens up storm drains as well.

GEAC: What can the City do to help homeowner associations petition FEMA for funding to deal with extreme emergency situations like the recent big snow emergency? (GEAC noted municipalities can apply for such funding, why not homeowner communities?)

City Response: FEMA regulations are established by the Federal Government. Homeowner Associations should advocate for changes in these FEMA rules. The City has advocated for such changes in the past and will continue to support such efforts.

GEAC: What might the City do about code enforcement of homeowners who want to convert wood-burning fireplaces to geo-thermal heating? How would it coordinate with county regulations?

City Response: Conversion to Geo-thermal heating is regulated by the County.

GEAC: Do the City code enforcement regulations allow wood-burning fireplaces to be converted to propane fuel?

City Response: Installation of wood burning stoves or conversion of wood burning to propane fueled fireplace stoves would be regulated by Prince George's County.

After discussion on this question, Mayor Jordan suggested the representatives consider addressing this concern with County Council Member Turner at his Listening Session scheduled for March 10th in Greenbelt.

Mr. Putens requested City regulations regarding conversions to geo-thermal and propane be considered on the agenda of the next Council meeting.

GEAC: GEAC has been asking the Police Department for several years for crime statistics that don't lump summary statistics for Greenbelt East residential communities with those of commercial properties, e.g. Greenway Center or Schrom Hills Park. Can Council help the police get such summary information for GEAC?

City Response: The Police Department has increased its Crime Data Collection and mapping capabilities significantly over the past year and one half. Through partnering with crimereports.com, any resident can check the history of crime occurrences for their individual street, neighborhood or portion of the City for the previous 6 months. The Police Department has also identified 55 separate individual neighborhoods or data collection areas within the City for additional in depth crime analysis. Any HOA or Stakeholder Representative may contact the Police Department Crime Prevention Office for assistance in obtaining this crime data to aid in providing this information to those without access to a computer, smartphone or other internet access device.

Mayor Jordan reviewed the Police Department's Monthly Statistical Report.

GEAC: To improve security in Greenbelt, does the Council have any plans to put more security cameras and lighting in various locations in the City, especially in Schrom Hills Park?

City Response: There are no current plans. Parking lot lighting at Schrom Hills was upgraded in 2012 using Federal grant funds. Are there specific lighting/camera locations at Schrom Hills Park being suggested?

Ms. Bacchus reported there are periodic problems with dirt bikers in Schrom Hills Park and thought that cameras may be beneficial in apprehending these individuals.

GEAC: What does Council see as current trends in crime in Greenbelt, particularly in Greenbelt East? Are there particular problem areas and types of crime that are big issues now?

City Response: The most significant crime trend occurring by far in Greenbelt at this time is fraud and cybercrime. Over the past few months, this fraud has included multiple instances of attempted theft by way of fraudulent tax collection schemes. General identity theft through internet/cyber fraud continues to victimize Greenbelt citizens at an increasing rate. Crime Prevention Specialist George Mathews has sent out a number of public awareness notices through various media platforms informing the public of this situation. George also addresses this crime problem at every community event which he attends.

Specific to Greenbelt East, over the past two years trends indicate instances of robbery increased by 8 from 15 to 23. There were also 18 more burglaries in 2015 than 2014, rising from 33 to 51. During the same time period, vehicle thefts dropped from 31 to 14. Regarding Greenbelt East burglaries, recently two suspects have been identified through DNA collected at two separate crime scenes. Upon the arrest of these individuals, it is believed the rate of burglary incidents in Greenbelt East will decrease significantly.

GEAC: With regard to the City Budget, how might this year's decrease in property values and increase in tax assessments affect the 2016 budget allocations to services and facilities? How might changes to the development of the Greenbelt Station project affect the budget?

City Response: Revenues and expenditures for FY 2016 are on target. Preliminary estimates for FY 2017 show increases in owner occupied residential property, but decreases in apartments, commercial office and retail. At present the City anticipates only a slight revenue increase. As Greenbelt Station continues to develop, there will be revenue increases for the City.

GEAC: How does the City monitor the upkeep and cleanup of the City dog park?

City Response: The City monitors the dog park weekly. Trash is collected weekly and maintenance is performed as needed. The City will be installing a test patch of artificial canine turf at the dog park this spring.

GEAC: When might it alleviate the burden on the existing dog park, by adding another? Where might a new park be located?

City Response: The FY 2016 Capital Projects Budget includes funds to begin planning for a second dog park. Locations are being studied.

GEAC: Given recent problems for voters at the election location at the Turning Point Academy (e.g. incorrect voter lists, cramped conditions, small numbers of voting booths, etc.), can the Council please see about changing the location to somewhere else in Greenbelt East, e.g. Schrom Hills Park or a homeowner association's community center?

City Response: Voting lists are maintained by the Prince George's County Board of Elections. Any concerns about their accuracy should be directed to the County.

The City's Board of Elections is responsible for selection of polling places. Concerns about conditions, etc. have been shared with the Board so they can reevaluate for the 2017 Election.

GEAC: Are there any updates on the status of the FBI possibly being located in Greenbelt?

City Response: Greenbelt is one of three potential locations. A draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was released in November. Bids from developers are due June 22.

GEAC: Might there be more bus shelters anticipated in Greenbelt East? If so, where? Has anything happened regarding the homeless persons sleeping in some shelters like the one near the Hunting Ridge traffic circle (e.g. better lighting and surveillance?)

City Response: The next bus stop to be installed is at the corner of Hanover Parkway and Hanover Drive (partly funded by developer contribution). New bus shelter locations for FY 2017 have not been identified to date. Staff will be looking at ridership levels and site conditions/safety and making location recommendations to the City Manager. The bus shelter near Hunting Ridge was modified so that a person cannot laydown on the bench. The City Manager also requested that Public Works change the tinted windows to clear, and requested Police to monitor the shelter. Currently there are no plans for increased lighting.

GEAC: There appear to have been many abuses by owners in Greenbelt East homeowner communities who rent to people they report as family members who are not really family. Has the City considered adopting a policy similar to that of Berwyn Heights to tighten up the wording defining what "family" is with regard to who should or should not be allowed to occupy such units?

City Response: Planning & Community Development staff are in the process of reviewing the City's Building Regulations and Rental Licensing laws (City Code – Chapter 4). They will review the Berwyn Heights language and consider it as part of this review.

GEAC: Given a recent Council work session on possible changes to playground surfaces throughout the City, what can Council say about any such plans with regard to playgrounds in Greenbelt East that are partially maintained through an agreement with several Greenbelt East communities?

City Response: The City is no longer using shredded rubber mulch as a playground surface and plans to replace shredded rubber in City maintained playgrounds as resources allow. Greenwood Village and Windsor Green were contacted by letter on 3/26/15 and a follow-up email was sent on 7/14/15 regarding this issue. The City is awaiting a response to these communications.

Ms. MacAdams and Mr. Thompson said Greenwood Village and Windsor Green will respond to the City's letter within a few months.

GEAC: Is there any update on the pros and cons of the different types of playground surfacing under study?

City Response: The pros and cons regarding playground surfacing options remain the same.

Installation of the new Fitness Area at Schrom Hills Park is expected to begin later this week, weather permitting. The project will take about two weeks.

GEAC: Are there any further updates on questions GEAC asked last year regarding:
a. county and city legislation;

Mr. Moran reviewed the City's 2016 Legislative Update.

b. the revitalization of Beltway Plaza and Greenbelt Road;

City Response: There has been no activity on revitalizing Beltway Plaza. Improving Greenbelt Road is one of the city's top legislative priorities for 2016. The project is waiting State funding.

c. the improvement of lighting along Greenbelt Road and a light at Springcrest Road;

City Response: Requests for improved lighting along Greenbelt Road have been relayed to the State Highway Administration. An additional street light at the cul-de-sac on Springcrest Drive will be installed.

d. the City's support of the Purple Line; and

City Response: The City continues to support the Purple Line.

e. any possible renewal of legislation (Bill MC/PG 111) granting additional planning and zoning authority to municipalities?

City Response: MC/PG 111 was a 2015 State bill which did not pass. Additional planning and zoning authority remains a City priority, but chances of such legislation passing is slim.

The meeting ended at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cindy Murray
City Clerk*

**WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING
OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL**

Date: 3-7-16 Time: 8:03 Location: Room 201 Community Center

Motion to close meeting made by: Ms. Pope Seconded by: Mr. Herling

Members voting to close meeting:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ms. Davis				X
Mr. Herling	X			
Ms. Mach	X			
Ms. Pope	X			
Mr. Putens	X			
Mr. Roberts		X		
Mayor Jordan	X			

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO CLOSE SESSION
General Provisions Article, §3-305(b) (check all that apply):**

- (1) To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals;
- (2) To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business;
- (3) To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto;
- (4) To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State;
- (5) To consider the investment of public funds;
- (6) To consider the marketing of public securities;
- (7) To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter;
- (8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation;
- (9) To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations;

WORKSHEET FOR USE IN CLOSED SESSION (CHECKLIST OF DISCLOSURES TO BE MADE IN MINUTES OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING-NOT A PART OF THE CLOSING STATEMENT)

OFFICIALS ATTENDING CLOSED SESSION: [] DAVIS; [] JORDAN; [] HERLING;
[] MACH; [] POPE; [] PUTENS; [] ROBERTS

STAFF/OTHERS PRESENT:

Michael McLaughlin, City Manager
Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

① Personnel matter
② A matter that concerns a proposal for a business to locate in the state.

ACTION(S) TAKEN (IF ANY) AND RECORDED VOTES:

None.

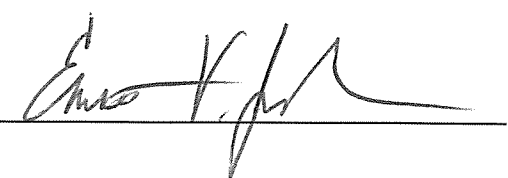
TIME CLOSED SESSION ADJOURNED: 10:00 pm

PLACE OF CLOSED SESSION: Room 201, Greenbelt Community Center.

PURPOSE OF CLOSED SESSION: ① Personnel matter ② A matter that concerns a proposal for a business to locate in the state

STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THE CLOSED SESSION: §3-305(b) (i); (A); ()

MEMBERS WHO VOTED TO CLOSE: [] DAVIS; [] JORDAN; [] HERLING; [] MACH;
[] POPE; [] PUTENS; [] ROBERTS

SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING OFFICER: 

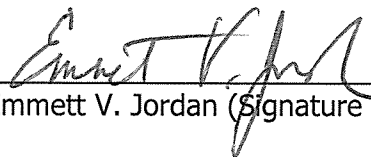
- (10) [] To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including:
 - (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and
 - (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans;
- (11) [] To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination;
- (12) [] To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct;
- (13) [] To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter;
- (14) [] Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process.

FOR EACH CITATION CHECKED ABOVE, THE REASONS FOR CLOSING AND TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

§3-305(b) (i) Personnel Matter

§3-305(b) (A) A matter that concerns a proposal for a business to locate in the state.

§3-305(b) () _____

This statement is made by 
 Emmett V. Jordan (Signature of Presiding Officer)

February 18, 2016

Subject: Clean Water Partnership Proposal to Dredge Two Forebays

Background: At the Park and Recreation Advisory Board's (PRAB) February 17, 2016 meeting, the Board considered the Greenbelt City Council's referral regarding forebay dredging at Buddy Attick Lake Park. A team of consultants on behalf of Prince George's County's Clean Water Partnership Program presented background information about the initiative and initial information about the proposed dredging of the two forebays at the lake. Members of Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (Green ACES) and other interested residents also attended.

Discussion: The consensus of the Board was that it would be mutually beneficial to the County and to the City to reduce pervious surfaces, reduce pollutants in the lake and increase the capacity of the forebays. (Green ACES will address their issues in a separate report.) The forebays are long overdue for dredging and the City has not had funding to do this work. PRAB also liked that ongoing maintenance would be a part of this initiative.

PRAB had questions and comments on timing, duration and disruption caused by the dredging. The presenters addressed some issues, but did not have many details. PRAB is concerned about tree loss, revegetation, duration of disruption, access to the lake during dredging and impact on park users. However, as more specific details of the proposal become available, PRAB would be able to pinpoint more specific concerns.

Conclusions: PRAB supports the concept of the forebay dredging project as proposed by the Clean Water Partnership group. However, PRAB recommends community involvement, as well as PRAB review of the details of the site plan prior to implementation.

Vote: 7 to 0

Respectfully submitted by:

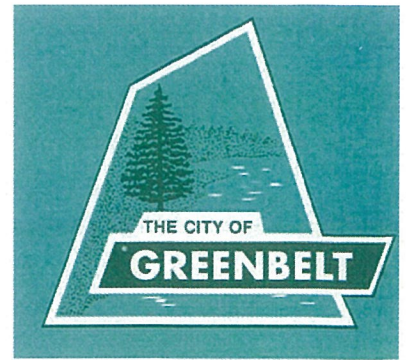
Lola Skolnik, Chair

Park and Recreation Advisory Board

CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION

99 CENTERWAY, GREENBELT, MARYLAND 20770



Julianna J. McHale
Director

TO: Mayor Jordan and the Greenbelt City Council
FROM: Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
RE: Open Forum of September 26, 2015
DATE: February 23, 2016

Attached is the Senior Citizens' Advisory Committee's report from the Senior Citizen Open Forum held September 26, 2015.

We felt the 2015 Open Forum went well. *Traffic Issues, Safety and Connectivity* were the major topic areas. As you will see in the attached report, these primary areas of interest are identified with the specific issues under each heading.

The SCAC feels that it is unnecessary to hold a work session this year, but some follow-up response in regards to the report recommendations would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Timer". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Betty Timer
Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Chair, November, 2015 - October 2016

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Senior Citizens Advisory Committee

ANNUAL OPEN FORUM REPORT TO COUNCIL

Held September 26, 2015

Attendance 29

(Boxwood: 3; GHI: 11, Greenbriar: 4, Greenbrook Estates: 1, Greenspring: 1, Lakes-Greenbelt Village: 1, Lakewood: 1, Woodland Hills: 1)

POSITIVE COMMENTS:

- Greenbelt is Great
- Friendly people
- Fellowship
- Creativity
- Intelligence
- Volunteerism
- News Review
- Greenbelt Nursery School
- GIVES
- CARES/GAIL
- Recreation Department
- Recreation Centers
- Lots of Programs
- City staff that listens
- Playgrounds
- Safe walkways
- Environment
- Greenbelt Theater
- Affordable Greenbelt Aquatics and Fitness Center
- I'll never move!

The above positive comments were made during the Annual Senior Citizens' Open Forum on September 26, 2015. During the Forum announcements from Christal Batey of the GAIL program and Karen Haseley from the Recreation Department were made. The issues below were raised and discussed. From these issues, the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee identified four categories: 1) Traffic Issues; 2) Safety; 3) Connectivity and 4) Other Requests. These categories are listed below with the issues raised at the forum listed underneath each item. The italicized text is information that was given or discussed at the forum.

TRAFFIC ISSUES

1. There are visual impediments on:
 - a. Gardenway exiting the parking garages.
 - b. 7 Court Ridge exiting the garages.
 - c. 7 Crescent exiting the garages.
 - d. Difficulty exiting from Spring Manor Drive to Hanover Parkway.
2. Traffic on Lastner Lane is excessive. Request for a more accurate survey of issue.
3. Vehicles do NOT stop at Southway and Ridge Road stop sign, especially early in the morning.
4. The intersection at the American Legion is difficult to exit safely.

SAFETY

1. The Neighborhood Watch program in Greenbelt (Center City) needs to be fortified.
2. A new dog watch program is in the process of becoming a reality. That means dog walkers are asked to be alert to crimes and notify authorities.
3. There was a question about how and where to discard old medicines. Can the City provide such a program here?
 - a. *Police Department? Hyattsville has a place to drop off medications annually.*
 - b. *Need to be certified to receive drugs (Registration & License)*
 - c. *Check that medications do not leak into grounds*
 - d. *Meds do expire and need to be safely discarded*
4. The Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center is in need of grab bars and floor mats in the shower rooms. Also a blood pressure monitor was requested.
 - a. *Grab bars are set to be installed at the GAFC during the renovations.*

CONNECTIVITY

1. Need to get neighborhoods working together.
2. Organizations need to coordinate events to prevent scheduling conflicts.
3. Walking and biking paths should not cross major highways.

OTHER REQUESTS

1. Another dog park is needed in Center City.
2. *See Post Script below.

SCAC Recommendations:

1. The traffic issues need to be investigated/studied.
2. Safety item #3: Investigate the possibility of Greenbelt participating in the annual Drug Take Back Day, possibly with the help of the Police Department and/or CoOp Pharmacy.
3. SCAC would like updates on the above items by May 2016.

POST SCRIPT

After the Open Forum meeting was finished, there was an informal discussion amongst some audience members and Senior Citizen Advisory Committee members regarding the need for additional senior housing in Greenbelt. It was suggested that Greenbelt should consider implementing a senior housing stipulation, similar to Bowie's, (new housing construction must include 20% of units for senior housing) whenever new housing developments are approved. The SCAC strongly recommends Council take this under consideration.

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MEMORANDUM**

TO: Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager *MPM*
FROM: Terri S. Hruby, Assistant Planning Director
VIA: Celia W. Craze, Director of Planning and Community Development
DATE: February 24, 2016
SUBJECT: Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance Re-write –
Draft Module 1

In mid-2014, at the direction of the County Council, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission began a comprehensive re-write of the County Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations. M-NCPPC has contracted with Clarion consultants, a nationally recognized consulting firm, to assist with the project. The stated purposes of the project are as follow:

1. Streamline and simplify the regulations and approved development process.
2. Modernize and consolidate zones and development standards.
3. Incentivize economic and transit oriented mixed use development.
4. Protect and enhance stable residential neighborhoods.

The project is organized into four phases: 1. Public Outreach and Input; 2. Evaluation and Recommendations; 3. Drafting the New Ordinance and Regulations; and 4. Implementing the New Ordinance and Regulations. It is anticipated that the final phase will be completed in late 2017.

Currently, M-NCPPC is working on completing Phase 3 and recently released Module 1, Zone and Use Regulations and Interpretations and Definitions. Module 1 establishes three zone types (base zones, planned development zones and overlay zones). A base zone is a zone within which a single set of uses, intensity, dimensional and development standards are applied. Uses are allowed by right, allowed subject to the approval of a special exception, or prohibited. These zones would otherwise be referred to as Euclidean Zones. A planned development zone generally allows more flexibility in the establishment of design and development standards in return for more innovative and high quality development and community benefits. An overlay zone is a zone mapped over a base zone that applies standards in addition to or instead of the standards governing development in the base zone or a planned development zone.ⁱ Module 1 proposes to reduce the number of zones from 73 to 42. Attachment 1 is a table showing the current zones and how they would be changed in the new ordinance.

Staff has reviewed Module 1 and has a significant number of questions, comments and concerns which are summarized in Attachment 2. Of staff's comments, we believe the following represent the most significant issues, warranting the greatest consideration and discussion by City Council at its upcoming work session:

1. Deletion of the Residential Planned Community Zone (R-P-C) – Deletion of this zone does not provide a provision in the new zoning ordinance for the protection of Historic Greenbelt and its plan, similar or identical to the existing RPC zone
2. Deletion of the Development District Overlay Zone (DDOZ) – There is concern that a move to a more generic base zone will make it difficult to achieve the character and urban design standards developed for the Greenbelt Metro Area and 193 Corridor Sector Plan.
3. Proposal to replace comprehensive design zones and mixed use zones with base zones that would allow for by-right development without detailed site plan review and approval – This is a major departure from the current process and will not afford municipalities/the public an opportunity to review and comment on major development projects.
4. Proposal to convert the C-O and C-S-C Zones to General Commercial and Office Zone (GCO) – The GCO Zones affords a lot of flexibility and mix of uses and could significantly change the character of Greenway Shopping Center, Beltway Plaza and Roosevelt Center; as well as our commercial office parks.
5. Applicability of new zones - It is not obvious of the new zones proposed, which would be appropriate for Beltway Plaza; Greenbelt Homes, Incorporated; Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station and Greenbelt Station South Core.
6. In general, there needs to be an analysis on the issue the potential for creating nonconforming uses with the application of the new zones.
7. Mapping of new zones. The mapping of the new zones to specific properties is not proposed to occur until after the new zoning ordinance is adopted. It is critical to the discussion of the new zones, to understand what zones will apply to what properties so municipalities/the public can fully understand the implications of the new zoning ordinance before being asked to support its adoption. Also, the mapping needs to include municipal involvement.

M-NCPPC has requested that comments on Module 1 be submitted by March 1, 2016, but have indicated comments will be accepted throughout the process. Staff recommends City Council transmit a letter to M-NCPPC with the comments contained in Attachment 2. Staff will continue to review documents as they are released and provide updates and comments to the City Council as appropriate.

ⁱ Prince George's County, Maryland, Executive Summary Module 1, October 2015

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Substantive Comments/Questions

Section	Item	Comment
27-3-102	RPC Zone	Not included. There must be some provision in the zoning ordinance for the protection of Historic Greenbelt and its plan, similar or identical to the existing RPC zone.
27-3-102	DDO Zone	How will the character and urban design standards developed for the Greenbelt Metro Area and 193 Corridor Sector Plan be accomplished with move to generic base zones?
27-3.202.A	Non-conforming lots	How will the zoning ordinance deal with non-conforming lots?
27-3.203	Proposal to replace comprehensive design zones and mixed use zones with base zones that would allow for by-right development without detailed site plan review and approval.	Major departure from current process. Would not afford municipalities an opportunity to review and comment.
27-3.201.C.1	PL zone	Is this appropriate for public land, including recreation land. Should this be POS?
27-3.203.G.1	Townhouse dwellings allowed	Are these really appropriate in the RTO zone?
27-3.203.G.4	Non-residential/mixed use residential density	This doesn't apply.
27-3.301.A.4	Size of street and utility networks	Should be sized right, and not just smaller.
27-3.301.E.1.f	Designation of open space for active or passive recreation	This needs to be coordinated according to Metropolitan District.
27-3.301.E.1.i	Street network	Should reference public and private street system.
27-3.301.E.1.l	Location of public facilities	Must include municipal services.

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27-3.301.E.1.n.i	Roadway design, mobility and connectivity	Needs to be coordinated with municipality.
27-3.301.E.2.c.i and ii	Reference to coordination with public agencies	Does not include municipalities. Only lists county, state and federal requirements.
27-4.202.C	In general	There should be a governmental use category.
	Solar energy collection facility	Allowed in limited zones, not including the Public Land Zone. May impact GHI's solar farm proposal. Should consider energy facilities on publically owned land.
	Recreation Facilities	Public recreation facilities not addressed.
	Animal shelter	Not allowed in residential zones except MFR-20 and up. Could impact Greenbelt Animal Shelter unless there is a governmental use category.
	Farmer's market	Could impact Greenbelt farmer's market unless there is a governmental use category. Needs to be evaluated for impact on other private farmer's markets (i.e. Franklin Park & Beltway Plaza)
27-3.201.E.9.b.i	Gas station shall have 200 feet of street frontage	Will impact Sunoco; may impact BP.
27-3.201.E.9.b.ii	Reference to SHA and DPW&T	Should also reference municipalities.
27-4.202.C	Eating and drinking establishment uses are permitted in MFR-20 and NFR-48 Zones	Eating and drinking establishments with drive through should be prohibited.
27-3.203.E.9.b.v.	Location of gasoline pumps at least 25 feet from street right-of-way	Will impact Sunoco and BP, possibly making uses non-conforming.
27-4.203.K	Driveway aprons	Should reference municipal standards as well as

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		DPW&T standards.
27-4.203.E.10.c.i	Frontage for hotel/motel	Requires frontage on 70 foot right-of-way. May be a problem for Golden Triangle hotels.
	Family child care home, small and large	Allowed in all residential base zones. May be concerning.
	Bike share station	Use table does not address bike share stations. Add "Bike Share Station" as a new use and add use-specific standards.
27-4.302.A	Home housing for poultry	Allowed as accessory use in the SFR 4.6, SFR 6.7 and SFR A zones.
27-4.304.B.17.f.ii	Operator shall enter into an irrevocable license agreement with the county...related to the use of outdoor seating areas.	Assumes that the outdoor seating area is not within municipalities.
27-4-403.A	Obtain applicable County, State or federal permits.	Should include local.
27-4-403.B	Except as part of a county-authorized event	Should specify municipal.
27-4.403	General standards for all temporary uses and structures.	Throughout makes references that could be problematic to the Labor Day festival as well as other city events. Government activities should be exempt.
27-4.404.B.1.b	Use (carnival) shall be located only on a parking lot.	Another conflict with Labor Day.
27-4.404.B.d	Consultation with local emergency agencies	Fails to list municipal emergency agencies
27-4.404.B.4.g	Would prohibit the sale of beef and prepared foods	Could be a problem for the Greenbelt Farmers Market
27-8.104	Twice makes reference to Town.	Should reference County
27-8.108	Municipalities	Should also reference municipalities
27-8.109	Mandatory and discretionary terms	"Shall not" should not be a discretionary term.
27-8.202.A.d	Where county adopted	Should also recognize city

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	plans call for the future widening of the street...	plans
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There needs to be a provision for public land and uses. 2. GCO seems to be an unregulated zone. 3. Unclear what would be an appropriate Zone for Beltway Plaza, Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station, Greenbelt Station South Core and Roosevelt Center. 4. There is no proposed Zone that is applicable to GHI. Opportunity to create planned development zone/overlay zone? 5. How do the new zones and regulations protect the environment and promote sustainable development? 	<p>Beltway Plaza and Greenbelt Station South Core are not currently within the designated Transit Center boundary so would not be eligible for the center base zones.</p> <p>South Core – Rezoning to MFR-12 would deem the townhouse development non-conforming per density, yard depth, lot coverage and minimum net lot area requirements.</p> <p>Beltway Plaza - Given the flexibility of the GCO Zone, possible designation of Beltway Plaza (as well as Greenway Shopping Center) to this Zone is concerning.</p> <p>Roosevelt Center – There does not appear to be a proposed zone that would be appropriate for Roosevelt Center.</p>

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27-3.201.E	Conservation subdivision	Will conservation subdivision have density and lot area requirements?
27-3.202.F.3	Lot width and lot coverage for other uses in the SFR 6.7 zone	Why the reduced width and coverage from single-family detached dwellings?
27-3.202.G.3	Yard depth	Won't establishing setback regulations for townhouses create non-conforming townhouses throughout the County?
27-3.202.H.3	Density	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Why are densities different than SFR-A? 2. The net lot area for two and three du's is opposite townhouse as shown in the SFR-A. Is this correct?
27-3.202.G.3	Townhouse density	Seems too high. What is it now?
Table 27-3.203.C.1.b 	Curb cuts in Transit-oriented/activity center zones	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do the curb cut standards apply only to one side of the road, or do we consider curb cuts on opposing sides of the road? 2. Shouldn't it be indicated which streets will not have curb cuts? 3. How do you determine responsibility for shared curb cuts? 4. How do the standards relate to the DPW&T standards and specifications?
Table 27-3.303.C.1.c	Sidewalk widths in transit-oriented/activity center zones	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Why is the width in the LTO edge and 5 TAC edge less than

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		<p>other zones?</p> <p>2. How would a 5 feet by 8 feet street tree planting area be provided? Shouldn't this be required?</p>
27-3.203.C.d.i	Off-street parking space	<p>1. What is the reasoning behind the 50% reduction in minimum number of off-street parking spaces in certain zones?</p> <p>2. Are garage spaces counted?</p>
27-3.203.C.e.i	Street frontage	Does this refer to public or private streets?
27-3.203.C.e.iv	Bike parking	Does a bike locker serve as a replacement to the four bike parking spaces, or is it an additional requirement?
27-3.203.C.f.ii.B	Wall projections and recesses	Do windows qualify for required projection?
27-3.203.C.f.ii.J	Enhanced window treatments	Isn't this a detail of a complete and occupied building?
27-3.203.C.f.iii.A	Major fraction	Can this be defined?
27-3.203.C.f.iii.B	"at least on such entrance"	Does this refer to an exterior entrance?
27-3.203.C.f.iv.A	"a minimum percentage of the street-level façade"	Can this be defined?
27-3.203.G.2	If there is no transit station ...	How can there be an RTO zone if there is no transit station?
27-3.204.A.7	Ensure nonresidential development is located and designed to protect and preserve the character of existing single-family districts and neighborhoods.	Shouldn't this apply to all residential neighborhoods, existing or planned?
27-3.204.B.1	Purpose	Is the only residential allowed as part of a commercial building?
27-3.204.C.1	Purpose	What does higher intensity

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		mean?
27-3.301.1	Designation of Planned Development Zones	Unclear how planned development zones will be designated/mapped.
27-3.302.C.5	Street access	Clarify if this means public, private or both.
27-3.303.C.3	Density for non-residential and mixed-use	Doesn't apply. Density applies to residential, which is also shown.
27-3.301.C	Minor modifications	How determined?
27-3.301.E.1.c	Nonresidential intensity	How will this be measured? FAR?
27-3.302.A.5	Street access	Clarify if this means public, private or both.
27-3.302.B.2	A minimum of five percent of the land ...	Is this gross?
27-3.203.E.9.b.vi	Storage of vehicles	Storage needs definition.
27-4.203.E.d	Private sale of vehicles	Can this address curbstoning?
27-4.302.A.2	Blank cell meaning	A blank cell means different things depending on whether it is an accessory use/structure, or whether it is designating use in an overlay zone.
27-4.304.B.27.b	Locational requirements for swimming pools.	Can it be placed in any other yard? Setbacks?
27-4.304.B.28.a	A small wind energy system	How is small determined?
27-4.402.A.2	Check designates allowable	Why not P or A?
27-4.402.C.	Circus, carnival, fair	Will this impact the Labor Day Festival and Carnival?
27-4.404.B.f	Adequate restroom facilities shall be provided.	How determined?
27-8.301.D.c	A group residential facility for the mentally handicapped for up to eight residents shall be considered a single-family detached dwelling unit.	Why?
27-8.301.G.5	Composting, rubble and recycling as industrial uses	Should these be accessory uses to governmental uses
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clarify development lot vs lot vs parcel 2. How will schools be zoned? 	

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Can you have a transit zone without a core?4. Is there a limit to the size of a district?5. No setbacks for accessory uses?	
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Grammatical Revisions

27-3.106.B.1.c	PD Plan and PD agreement	Please spell out PD
27.3.202.I.3	Notes	du/ac = dwelling units per net lot acre.
27-3.202.I.3	Missing notes 8 and 9	
27-4.304.B.22.e	(The retail sales...	Remove (
27-4.302.B.27.e	If the subject property abuts land that is developed, or approved is to be developer	Remove second is.
27-8.301.D.1	Live-work dwellings artist residential studio	Live-work dwellings;
27-8.301.F	Grocery store and food market – Sale beer	Sell beer

March 14, 2016

Mr. Chad Williams, Project Manager
The Maryland-National Capital Parking and Planning Commission
County Administration Building
14741 Governor Bowie Drive
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

RE: Zoning Ordinance Re-write
City of Greenbelt Comments on Module 1

Dear Mr. Williams:

Thank you for presenting Module 1 to the Four Cities Coalition on January 27, 2016. The presentation was very informative and helped the Greenbelt City Council gain an understanding of the purpose and organization of the project. Recently, the Greenbelt City Council met with City planning staff to discuss Module 1, in terms of its application to Greenbelt.

Of particular concern to the City is process. The City is concerned that it will be asked to endorse a new zoning ordinance prior to having an understanding of how the new zones will be applied to property within Greenbelt. The mapping of zones must precede the adoption of the new zoning ordinance so that municipalities and the public have an opportunity to discuss the new zones in the context of their specific situation(s), and to clearly understand how they will be impacted. The public and municipalities should be actively involved in the mapping process.

Also of great concern to the City is the by right development process defined in Module 1. The City is concerned that this approach will result in municipal reviews being bypassed on significant development projects that warrant municipal and public review and comment. The municipal review process has played a vital role in bringing quality development to the County, and diminishing this role is contrary to the public's best interest. The approval review process for projects within Transit-Oriented/Activity Center base zones need to account for some level of municipal review and input.

The City has shared its concerns with and your staff regarding the proposed deletion of the R-P-C zone, and its potential impact on Historic Greenbelt. The City Council was happy to learn that you will be working with our planning staff in the coming months to look at the applicability of a Neighborhood Conservation Overlay Zone as a tool to preserve the historic planned community principles. We look forward to learning more about this approach.

In addition to the issues above, the City has a series of concerns and questions with Module 1 that are reflected in the attached comment sheets. These comments address substantive issues, seek

clarification on various terms and standards, and highlight minor grammatical items. The City looks forward to working with you and your staff to address the City's comments, and to work towards a zoning ordinance that fulfills the purposes the project, while protecting and representing the interests of the City.

In conclusion, the City would like to take this opportunity to re-iterate its interest in having the zoning re-write project address the role of municipalities in the development review process and the potential for delegating greater review authority to municipalities as a means of streamlining the County's review process, which as you know is a primary goal of the project.

The City thanks you for the opportunity to comment on Module 1. If you have any questions please contact Terri Hruby, Assistant Planning Director at (301) 345-5417.

Sincerely,

Emmett V. Jordan
Mayor

cc. City Council
The Honorable Todd M. Turner
Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager
Celia Craze, Director of Planning and community Development

SENATE BILL 607

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CF 6lr1946

By: **Senators Pinsky, Nathan-Pulliam, Conway, Ferguson, Madaleno, Manno, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young**
Introduced and read first time: February 5, 2016
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Agriculture – Cattle, Swine, and Poultry – Use of Antimicrobial Drugs**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting, on or after a certain date, a certain owner of cattle, swine,
4 or poultry from administering, or authorizing an agent to administer, certain
5 antimicrobial drugs in certain cattle, swine, and poultry without a certain
6 prescription or veterinary feed directive issued by a licensed veterinarian in
7 accordance with certain conditions; prohibiting certain antimicrobial drugs from
8 being administered to cattle, swine, and poultry for certain purposes; specifying that
9 certain antimicrobial drugs may be administered only for a use authorized by a
10 certain prescription or veterinary feed directive; requiring certain antimicrobial
11 drugs to be administered in a certain manner; requiring a certain veterinarian who
12 issues a certain veterinary feed directive to submit to the Department of Agriculture
13 certain information in a certain manner; requiring the Department to maintain
14 certain information and make the information available for public review in a certain
15 manner; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on or before a
16 certain date each year, beginning on or before a certain date; authorizing the
17 Secretary of Agriculture to impose a certain penalty; authorizing the Department to
18 adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain
19 terms; and generally relating to the use of antimicrobial drugs in cattle, swine, and
20 poultry.

21 BY adding to

22 Article – Agriculture

23 Section 3–1001 through 3–1006 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Use of
24 Antimicrobial Drugs”

25 Annotated Code of Maryland

26 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

27 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

28 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Article – Agriculture

2 SUBTITLE 10. USE OF ANTIMICROBIAL DRUGS.

3 3-1001.

4 (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
5 INDICATED.

6 (B) “DISEASE CONTROL” MEANS THE USE OF A MEDICALLY IMPORTANT
7 ANTIMICROBIAL DRUG TO CONTROL THE SPREAD OF A DOCUMENTED DISEASE OR
8 INFECTION PRESENT IN A BARN OR EQUIVALENT ANIMAL HOUSING UNIT.

9 (C) “MEDICALLY IMPORTANT ANTIMICROBIAL DRUG” MEANS ANY DRUG
10 FROM A CLASS OF DRUG OR DERIVATIVE OF A CLASS OF DRUG THAT IS:

11 (1) (I) MADE FROM A MOLD OR BACTERIUM THAT KILLS OR SLOWS
12 THE GROWTH OF OTHER MICROBES, SPECIFICALLY BACTERIA; AND

13 (II) USED IN HUMAN BEINGS OR INTENDED FOR USE IN HUMAN
14 BEINGS TO TREAT OR PREVENT DISEASE OR INFECTION; OR

15 (2) LISTED IN APPENDIX A OF THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG
16 ADMINISTRATION’S GUIDANCE FOR INDUSTRY #152, INCLUDING CRITICALLY
17 IMPORTANT, HIGHLY IMPORTANT, OR IMPORTANT ANTIMICROBIAL DRUGS.

18 (D) “OWNER” MEANS A PERSON THAT:

19 (1) HAS AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN CATTLE, SWINE, OR POULTRY,
20 INCLUDING A RIGHT OR AN OPTION TO PURCHASE THE CATTLE, SWINE, OR POULTRY;
21 OR

22 (2) IS OTHERWISE ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF OBTAINING LIVE
23 CATTLE, SWINE, OR POULTRY UNDER A GROWING AGREEMENT FOR THE PURPOSE
24 OF EITHER SLAUGHTERING THE CATTLE, SWINE, OR POULTRY OR SELLING THE
25 CATTLE, SWINE, OR POULTRY FOR SLAUGHTER.

26 (E) “VETERINARY FEED DIRECTIVE” MEANS A WRITTEN STATEMENT
27 ISSUED BY A VETERINARIAN LICENSED IN THE STATE IN THE COURSE OF THE
28 VETERINARIAN’S PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE THAT:

29 (1) ORDERS THE USE OF AN ANIMAL DRUG IN OR ON ANIMAL FEED;

1 (2) AUTHORIZES AN OWNER OR A CARETAKER OF AN ANIMAL TO
2 OBTAIN AND USE ANIMAL FEED BEARING OR CONTAINING AN ANIMAL DRUG TO
3 TREAT THE ANIMAL; AND

4 (3) MEETS THE CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED UNDER
5 TITLE 21, § 558.6 OF THE CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS.

6 **3-1002.**

7 EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN FEDERAL LAW OR REGULATION, THIS
8 SUBTITLE DOES NOT APPLY TO ANTIMICROBIAL USE IN:

9 (1) DAIRY CATTLE;

10 (2) CATTLE ON A FARM OPERATION THAT SELLS FEWER THAN 200
11 CATTLE PER YEAR;

12 (3) SWINE ON A FARM OPERATION THAT SELLS FEWER THAN 200
13 SWINE PER YEAR; OR

14 (4) POULTRY ON A FARM OPERATION THAT SELLS FEWER THAN
15 60,000 BIRDS PER YEAR.

16 **3-1003.**

17 (A) ON OR AFTER FEBRUARY 1, 2017, AND SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF
18 THIS SECTION, AN OWNER OF CATTLE, SWINE, OR POULTRY MAY NOT ADMINISTER
19 OR AUTHORIZE AN AGENT TO ADMINISTER A MEDICALLY IMPORTANT
20 ANTIMICROBIAL DRUG TO THE CATTLE, SWINE, OR POULTRY WITHOUT A
21 PRESCRIPTION OR A VETERINARY FEED DIRECTIVE ISSUED BY A LICENSED
22 VETERINARIAN:

23 (1) IN THE CONTEXT OF A VETERINARIAN-CLIENT-PATIENT
24 RELATIONSHIP THAT MEETS THE CRITERIA FOR A VALID
25 VETERINARIAN-CLIENT-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE 21, §
26 530.3 OF THE CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS;

27 (2) WHO HAS, WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 6 MONTHS, VISITED THE FARM
28 OPERATION IN WHICH THE CATTLE, SWINE, OR POULTRY IS LOCATED; AND

29 (3) WHO HAS DETERMINED THAT THE MEDICALLY IMPORTANT
30 ANTIMICROBIAL DRUG IS NECESSARY:

1 (I) TO TREAT A DOCUMENTED DISEASE OR INFECTION;

2 (II) FOR DISEASE CONTROL;

3 (III) FOR A SURGERY OR A MEDICAL PROCEDURE; OR

4 (IV) TO PREVENT A DISEASE THAT RESULTS FROM A
5 VETERINARIAN-DOCUMENTED SPECIFIC EVENT THAT SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASES
6 DISEASE RISK RELATIVE TO NORMAL FACILITY OPERATING CONDITIONS.

7 (B) (1) (I) A MEDICALLY IMPORTANT ANTIMICROBIAL DRUG MAY NOT
8 BE ADMINISTERED TO CATTLE, SWINE, OR POULTRY FOR:

9 1. GROWTH PROMOTION;

10 2. FEED EFFICIENCY OR WEIGHT GAIN PURPOSES; OR

11 3. ROUTINE DISEASE PREVENTION.

12 (II) A MEDICALLY IMPORTANT ANTIMICROBIAL DRUG MAY BE
13 ADMINISTERED ONLY FOR A USE AUTHORIZED BY A PRESCRIPTION OR VETERINARY
14 FEED DIRECTIVE ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.

15 (2) A MEDICALLY IMPORTANT ANTIMICROBIAL DRUG SHALL BE
16 ADMINISTERED IN A MANNER THAT TREATS THE FEWEST NUMBER OF CATTLE,
17 SWINE, OR POULTRY FOR THE SHORTEST DURATION NECESSARY FOR THE USE
18 AUTHORIZED BY THE PRESCRIPTION OR THE VETERINARY FEED DIRECTIVE.

19 3-1004.

20 (A) ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 2018, AND EACH FEBRUARY 1
21 THEREAFTER, A VETERINARIAN WHO ISSUES A VETERINARY FEED DIRECTIVE SHALL
22 SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT, IN A MANNER DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT,
23 THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM EACH VETERINARY FEED DIRECTIVE ISSUED
24 DURING THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR:

25 (1) DATE OF ISSUANCE;

26 (2) EXPIRATION DATE;

27 (3) NAME OF EACH ANIMAL DRUG;

28 (4) INDICATIONS FOR USE FOR EACH ANIMAL DRUG;

1 (5) SPECIES AND PRODUCTION CLASS OF EACH ANIMAL TO BE FED
2 THE MEDICATED FEED;

3 (6) APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF ANIMALS TO BE FED THE MEDICATED
4 FEED;

5 (7) LEVEL OF EACH ANIMAL DRUG ORDERED FOR THE FEED AND THE
6 AMOUNT OF FEED REQUIRED FOR TREATMENT;

7 (8) FEEDING INSTRUCTIONS WITH THE WITHDRAWAL TIME;

8 (9) NUMBER OF REORDERS AUTHORIZED BY THE VETERINARY FEED
9 DIRECTIVE IF REORDERS ARE ALLOWED UNDER FEDERAL LAW OR REGULATION;
10 AND

11 (10) ANY SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS AND CAUTIONARY STATEMENTS
12 NECESSARY FOR THE USE OF THE ANIMAL DRUG IN CONFORMANCE WITH ANIMAL
13 DRUG APPROVALS UNDER FEDERAL LAW OR REGULATION.

14 (B) ALL RECORDS AND INFORMATION RELATING TO A VETERINARY FEED
15 DIRECTIVE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE
16 MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND MADE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW IN A
17 MANNER THAT PROVIDES THE GREATEST PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF RECORDS AND
18 INFORMATION WHILE PROTECTING THE IDENTITY OF THE FARM OPERATION OR
19 OWNER OF THE FARM OPERATION TO WHICH THE VETERINARY FEED DIRECTIVE
20 RELATES.

21 (C) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2018, AND EACH DECEMBER 1
22 THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN
23 ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ON THE
24 INFORMATION SUBMITTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.

25 **3-1005.**

26 THE SECRETARY MAY IMPOSE AN ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY, NOT
27 EXCEEDING \$2,000, ON A PERSON THAT VIOLATES THIS SUBTITLE.

28 **3-1006.**

29 THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SUBTITLE.

30 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
31 October 1, 2016.



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KEEP OUR ANTIBIOTICS WORKING



Stop the Routine Use of Antibiotics for Farm Animals

To combat the spread of bacterial drug-resistance, antibiotics for food animal use should be used sparingly, and only on sick animals.

But many food animals are fed a daily dose of antibiotics to help them gain weight or to prevent disease caused by unsanitary conditions – not to treat illness.

Routinely feeding antibiotics to animals that are not sick kills off weak bacteria, but allows antibiotic-resistant superbugs to develop and multiply.

If we want to keep antibiotics working for future generations, we need to stop the routine use of medically important antibiotics in livestock production.

This would still allow for the use of antibiotics when and animal is sick or to stop an infectious outbreak.

Antibiotics Overuse: Why it Matters

We rely on antibiotics to treat everything from simple infections like strep throat, to more serious illnesses like pneumonia. Unfortunately, these drugs are beginning to fail.

- *At least 2 million people become infected with bacteria that are resistant to antibiotics.*
- *As least 23,000 people die from antibiotic-resistant bacteria.*
- *We lose at least \$55 billion a year due to excess hospital costs and lost worker productivity.*

The Problem: Overuse of Antibiotics on Livestock

70% of the medically important antibiotics sold in the US are sold for use to raise chickens, hogs, and cattle on large farms.

The majority of this is not to treat sick animals. Many food animals are fed a daily dose of antibiotics to help them gain weight or to prevent disease caused by unsanitary conditions.

This accelerates the development of drug-resistant bacteria, which can then find their way to human populations through contaminated food, airborne dust blowing off farms, and water or soil polluted with contaminated feces.



“Antimicrobial resistance is a growing public health crisis. ... Because of the link between antibiotic use in food-producing animals and the occurrence of antibiotic-resistant infections in humans, antibiotic agents should be used in food-producing animals only to treat and control infectious diseases and not to promote growth or to prevent disease routinely.”

-American Academy of Pediatrics Technical Report, November 2015

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Eleanor Roosevelt High School
Grad Night 2014 Committee
7601 Hanover Parkway
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October 6, 2015

National statistics indicate that more teenage alcohol-related accidents and fatalities occur on the night of high school graduation than at any other time of the year. Additionally, 77% of fatal crashes occurring from midnight to 3 am involve alcohol. Today, parents, teachers, and communities are coming together to turn these statistics around.

Mr. Michael P. McLaughlin
City Manager
25 Crescent Road
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Ms. Julie McHale
Director
Greenbelt Recreation Department
25 Crescent Road
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Dear Mr. McLaughlin and Ms. McHale:

I would like to introduce myself; my name is LaTonia Marshall and I am the chair for the 2016 Eleanor Roosevelt High School Grad Night committee. The school board has announced the graduation date for the senior class will be Monday, June 6, 2016 at 1:30pm and we would like the opportunity to use your facilities for our grad night celebration.

The ERHS Grad Night Committee has had the privilege of utilizing your facilities for many years and they have made the annual grad night celebration a success. We graciously request your approval for the use of the following facilities for the following dates and times in 2016:

1. Greenbelt Youth Center:
 - a. **June 5th** 2:00pm-10:00pm
 - b. **June 6th** 9:00am-12am
 - c. **June 7th** 12am-6:00am
2. Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center:
June 6th 12:00am-4:00am (Rental Fees Waived)

The ERHS grad night celebration allows only our graduating seniors to come together for one last time in a drug-free, alcohol-free, weapon-free, and smoke-free environment at your Greenbelt Youth Center the night of graduation. ERHS Grad Night is now in its **25th year** of providing graduates a safe place to have "the time of their lives" without risking their lives. We are anticipating 400 graduating seniors to attend this event and we plan to offer a jam-packed buffet throughout the night, with entertainment, fun, music, games, competitions, swimming and end the event with a delicious breakfast and parting gifts for each graduate.

We especially want to thank you in advance for the services and support from your Recreation Department. Please feel free to contact me at erhsgradnight16@gmail.com or on my cell at 240-988-4159, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



LaTonia G. Marshall,
2016 Grad Night Chair

Prince George's County Public Schools' Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) in Greenbelt, Maryland is a nationally recognized award winning public school that draws an ethnically diverse pool of students from communities in Prince George's County, Maryland. Its faculty and staff have been commended for innovative academy programs and for the focus on character in education. The winner of many awards, ERHS is the only public school in Maryland to have been named twice as a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the United States Department of Education. We are proud of what our children have accomplished at this school.

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (CRAB)
REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL**

SUBJECT: Preservation & Maintenance of the Turner Family Cemetery

BACKGROUND: Prior to Greenbelt's construction, the Turner Family owned a large plantation in what is now Greenbelt West. When the Federal Government built the town, the Greenbelt Cemetery was established adjacent to the Turner Family burial plot. There is a display case at the site with the only remaining engraved headstone and a historical monograph about the Turner Family

DISCUSSION: At the CRAB meeting on 11/12/15, Dan Hamlin expressed concern that the Turner burial plot was not being properly maintained and the monograph was inaccurate. These concerns were based on extensive research conducted by Kyla Hanington while writing a news article on historic cemeteries in Greenbelt. Dan and Kyla identified 15 stones at the family plot marking nine graves. On 11/21/15 several members of CRAB visited the Turner Cemetery site to view these graves. CRAB considered this matter at a meeting on 1/12/16 and approved the following recommendations as an initial step in preserving identified graves with the dignity and respect they deserve. CRAB expects subsequent discovery and identification of the greater area for possible additional gravesites.

RECOMENDATIONS:

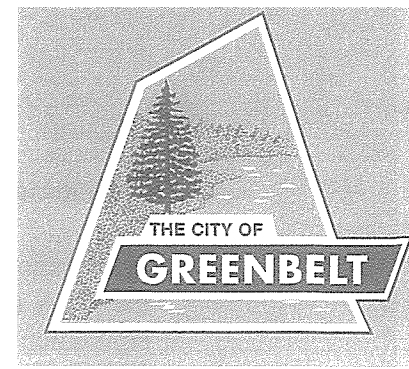
1. The perimeter of the area with known graves be marked with steel posts and chains similar to that used in the modern section of the cemetery.
2. The underbrush, leaves and debris be cleared from the area.
3. The display case containing the gravestone of Thomas P. Turner be refurbished so that the stone is more clearly visible.
4. The inaccurate and incomplete historical monograph in the display case be rewritten to:
 - a. Correct the age of death of Tomas Turner who was married to Flavia Parker in 1843 and 45 years old at the time of his death in 1855, not 15.
 - b. Include mention of people held as slaves by the Turner family as documented in the 1790 census and Turner family bible and likely buried on the site.

Respectfully Submitted

Rick Ransom, Chair
Community Relations Advisory Board

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March 3, 2016

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To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for arranging a presentation and hearing on the proposed development plan for the Greenbelt Station. Below are preliminary comments from the City of Greenbelt. Due to the timing of the hearing, the Greenbelt City Council will not be able to formalize its comments until March 14, 2016, and a subsequent letter will be sent on March 15, 2016.

1. The Greenbelt Metro Station currently functions as a multi-modal transit hub. It integrates WMATA facilities with the MARC train system, it services the transit systems of Howard, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, and interstate bus systems such as Bolt and Megabus. These are all important economic drivers for Greenbelt and the surrounding areas. These need to be efficiently accommodated in any future hub. However, the proposed non-WMATA user parking fee as currently structured will be a disincentive to this facility serving as a multi-modal hub. The fee should be reconsidered or mitigated in a way that it does not hinder these crucial activities. Similarly, because of these various modes of transit, as well as the connection to BWI airport via the B30 bus, some provision needs to be made to retain the "long-term" parking that currently exists.
2. The connecting tunnel between the WMATA station and the MARC train platform must allow for 24 hour access for pedestrians and cyclists wishing to cross between College Park and Greenbelt sides of the station.
3. One of our values as a community is a commitment to walkability. We want to encourage commuters to travel to the station as pedestrians or cyclists. It is very important to facilitate this by making connections safer and more pleasant than they are now. The pedestrian and cyclist access along Metro Access Drive, between Cherrywood Lane and the WMATA station, should be protected and enhanced (e.g. – use landscaping or other means to separate pedestrian and bike access from the proposed 495 interchange). This needs to happen in order to encourage commuters from the Federal Courthouse, Capital Office Park and residents from the historic section of Greenbelt to consider not using their cars.

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4. The parking structure should include electric vehicle charging stations.
5. The Station is overdue for renovations and this work needs to begin soon, regardless of the GSA decision about the FBI relocation. Greenbelt residents must not have a less convenient commute than they have at the present as a result of the consolidation of the FBI headquarters.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Emmett V. Jordan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Emmett V. Jordan
Mayor

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cc: City Council
Honorable Todd M. Turner
Honorable Patrick Wojahn, City of College Park
Honorable Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Town of Berwyn Heights
Celia Craze, Director of Planning & Community Development
Garth Beall, Renard Development