City of Aberdeen Council Meeting July 25, 2016

Council Present: Mayor McGrady, Councilman Goodin, Councilwoman Landbeck,

Councilman Lindecamp and Councilman Taylor

Absent: None

Also Present: Randy Robertson, City Manager

Phyllis Grover, Director of Planning and Community Development

Kyle Torster, Director of Public Works

Chief Henry Trabert, Aberdeen Police Department

Opiribo Jack, Director of Finance

Monica Correll, City Clerk

Mayor McGrady called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The prayer was delivered by Pastor Jeffrey Ellwood, Evangel Assembly of God, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Lindecamp.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the July 11, 2016 Council Meeting were approved by a vote of 5 - yes; 0 - no.

Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilman Goodin, Councilwoman Landbeck,

Councilman Lindecamp and Councilman Taylor.

Nays: None.

PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. Colonel James Davis and Command Sergeant Major Toese Tia, Jr. updated the Council on events and activities at Aberdeen Proving Ground such as the change of command, installation exercise, an Oktoberfest, APG Centennial, a homecoming, youth education, and their belief in partnership.
- 2. The City Manager reported on the status of the change in residential trash collection. There was 90-95% compliance by the community to the code changes; however, certain areas would be returned to the former business model of trash pickup. The Safety and Risk Manager, Charles Johnson, reported on trash pickup safety concerns.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Mr. Scott Flanigan, Ferndale Road: Mr. Flanigan thanked the Council for addressing the community's concerns regarding trash removal.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION:

1. Resolution No. 16-R-07, Greater Aberdeen-Havre de Grace Enterprise Zone Expansion

Resolution No. 16-R-07, Greater Aberdeen-Havre de Grace Enterprise Zone Expansion was passed by a vote of 5 - yes: 0 - no.

Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilman Goodin, Councilwoman Landbeck,

Councilman Lindecamp, and Councilman Taylor.

Nays: None.

2. Resolution No. 16-R-08, Community Development Block Grant Funds Plan for Use

Ms. Grover explained the possible uses of the funds for the following projects:

- 1) Construct two (2) bus shelters one at Center Deen Avenue and Old Post Road and one at West Bel Air Avenue and U.S. 40 adjacent to Amtrak/MARC Train Station, estimated cost \$30,000.
- 2) Repave the parking lot at the Aberdeen Family Swim Center, estimated cost \$35,680.
- 3) Construct parking lot at Franklin and Parke Streets, estimated cost \$200,000.
- 4) Add twenty (20) trash receptacles throughout the City at a cost of \$11,200.
- 5) Install new playground equipment, multiple police cameras, and fencing on City-owned property, 15 E. Bel Air Avenue, estimated cost \$85,000.
- 6) Boys & Girls Club of Harford County upgrades to interior lighting in gymnasium, estimated cost \$15,000.
- 7) Repaying the following streets in east Aberdeen: Old Post Road and Victory Street.
- 8) Harford County Aberdeen Branch of the library install drop box estimated cost of \$7,500.
- 9) Aberdeen Parks and Recreation wrestling mats estimated cost of \$8,000.

The Council discussed possible amendments. A public hearing was scheduled for the next meeting. The Mayor postponed action until the next meeting.

3. Resolution No. 16-R-09, Resolution of Support for Community Legacy Application

Resolution No. 16-R-09, Resolution of Support for Community Legacy Application was passed by a vote of 5 – yes: 0 – no.

Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilman Goodin, Councilwoman Landbeck,

Councilman Lindecamp, and Councilman Taylor.

Nays: None.

4. Resolution No. 16-R-12, Resolution of Support Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund (2)

Resolution No. 16-R-12, Resolution of Support Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund (2) was passed by a vote of 5 - yes: 0 - no.

Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilman Goodin, Councilwoman Landbeck,

Councilman Lindecamp, and Councilman Taylor.

Nays: None.

5. Resolution No. 16-R-13, Resolution of Support for Frito Lay, Inc.

A motion was made by Councilman Lindecamp and seconded by Councilman Goodin to adopt Resolution No. 16-R-13, Resolution of Support for Frito Lay, Inc.

The Mayor postponed action until the next meeting.

BUSINESS OF THE CITY:

- 1. Unfinished Business
 - a. Rules of Council Procedure

The Mayor postponed "Rules of Council Procedure" until a special meeting.

- 2. New Business: None.
- 3. Updates from City Manager and Staff

The City Manager reported on the heating and ventilation system in City Hall and that the Council should consider providing input on paving priorities. An offsite was to be planned in the fall.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Harford County Councilman Patrick Vincenti (District E): Councilman Vincenti complimented the new City Manager and commented on the various City projects. The Council thanked Councilman Vincenti for helping the City.

CLOSED MEETING:

The Mayor announced the closing of the meeting pursuant to Open Meetings Act, Statutory Authority, General Provisions Article §3-305(b): (3) to consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto, and (8) to consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation. Topics of discussion were a real estate acquisition and a possible lawsuit.

A motion was made by Mayor McGrady and seconded by Councilwoman Landbeck to move into Closed Meeting in the 2nd Floor Administrative Conference Room. The motion passed by a vote of 5 - yes; 0 - no.

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Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilman Goodin, Councilwoman Landbeck,

Councilman Lindecamp and Councilman Taylor.

Nays: None.

The Council proceeded into closed meeting at approximately 8:20 p.m.

REOPEN MEETING:

The Council returned and reopened the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL:

- 1. Business from the City Council: The Council reported on the planting of a tree to honor the memory of the late Councilman Bruce Garner and Mr. Maxwell Landbeck.
- 2. Business from the Mayor: The Mayor reported on Third Friday Festivals at Aberdeen Festival Park and complimented the new City Manager.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Council Meeting: Monday, August 8, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Next Planning Commission Meeting: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Third Friday Festivals in Festival Park, August 19 and September 16, starting at 5 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.