

The City Council met in regular session on May 13, 2019 in Council Chambers. A quorum being present, Mayor Victoria Jackson-Stanley called the meeting to order to 6:00 pm. Those Commissioners in attendance were Commissioners Rideout, Sydnor, Foster, Cannon, and Hanson. Mayor Victoria Jackson-Stanley asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Shore Regional Health gave an update – Kozel & Willis

Portia Johnson Ennals, 615 Pine Street – There was a problem with the boiler in February and they did not find out until May, the electric bill was higher than normal. The Empowerment Center will accept \$800 of it but feels the city should reimburse the rest. Odie stated that repairs started within two weeks of being notified \$2,662.49 is the amount they are requesting.

Michael Wheatley stated that budget(s) are a hard thing – but he is okay with the increase.

Allen Nelson of the Rotary Club spoke on Flags for Heroes Project. Mr. Nelson also spoke about the Power Boat Regatta event May 16-18, Mr. Nelson wants to utilize the street next to the hospital. A motion from Commissioner Rideout, seconded by Commissioner Hanson. Approval 5-0

Theresa Stafford, spoke of Greenwood Avenue spoke of people congregating on the property, loitering on the property, she stated that the tenants are afraid. Ms. Stafford is asking that the police assist in this situation. Commissioner Sydnor asked about the camera's in that area, he also stated that he would be willing to meet with the property manager/security service. Chief Lewis stated that he has met with both management and the security representative and feels that some of the issues will be resolved going forward. Commissioners Sydnor, Rideout, Cannon to work with Chief of Police, Mark Lewis.

A letter was read on behalf of Kay and Rich Kefler, of 103 Choptank Avenue regarding the Mill Street School property. They suggested tearing the old building and building houses similar to houses already on Mill Street. The Kefler's are not interested in changing the zoning.

Charlie Johnson, of 102 Mill Street spoke about the proposed development not being in line with the existing neighborhood.

Carolyn Sharp, spoke about children in some parts of the city(Moore's Avenue, Cornish Drive) who are playing in the streets and lying in the streets where cars are passing through. This matter was referred to the Traffic Safety Committee. Motion by Commissioner Foster, seconded by Commissioner Rideout.

John Wemple, of 706 Locust Street, spoke on Mill Street property getting an estimate to see how much it would cost to fix the school. He also spoke of proposed profitability of (apartments, and single family homes).

Mike Stewart spoke about Deep Harbour River Walk/Sidewalk (negotiation needed between them/city/DPW).

Wayne Towers stated that the budget process is trash.

Ms. Witzgall – new to Cambridge – opening up a massage therapy office.

Greg Boss – a step backwards – shame on us.

Requests from the Public

1. The following items 3, 7, 9 and 11 were approved from the Consent Calendar, motioned by Commissioner Rideout, seconded by Commissioner Cannon.
2. Meeting Minutes from Council Meeting on April 8, 2019
3. Meeting Minutes of the Special Council Meeting on April 15th.
4. Meeting Minutes from Special Council Meeting on April 22, 2019
5. Meeting Minutes from Council Meeting on April 22, 2019
6. Main Street Beer Fest, June 15th in partnership with RAR 1-5pm, Commissioner Rideout wants a petition from nearby businesses. Motion by Commissioner Rideout to defer decision until the May 28th meeting was seconded by Commissioner Hanson. Passed 5.0.
7. The request to have the Awaken Hearts event moved to October 12th.
8. Request from Blue Ruin Bar for a noise variance was approved by Commissioner Rideout, seconded by Commissioner Sydnor. Passed 5-0
9. The Dorchester Garden Club's request to have the city waive permit fees for garden projects in the historic areas of the city parks and public buildings.
10. The request from Henry Vandyke, owner of Lil Bitta Bull BBQ to set up his food truck in the parking lot at Long Wharf starting May 16th from Thursday-Saturday from 11am-6pm. They would like to leave the unit on site during this time. City Council approved this for a period through June 30th based on approval of Oasis Marina, that Mr. Vandyke provides insurance and that there are no other events pre-scheduled. Motion by Commissioner Sydnor, seconded by Commissioner Foster. Passed 5-0
11. The Dorchester County Health Department's request to have their 3rd Annual Open House BBQ on July 6th and their 5th Annual Recovery Works event on September 21st both at the Dri-Dock Recovery Wellness Center.

Ordinances for Introduction and First Reading

12. **SUBJECT:** Ordinance No. 1149 – An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland to establish the annual tax levy for personal property for fiscal year 2020 beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020.
 - A. Give Ordinance No. 1149 a second reading by reading of title only
 - B. Open the public hearing, take public comment, and close the public hearing;
and
 - C. Pass Ordinance No. 1149

13. **SUBJECT:** Ordinance No. 1150 – An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland to adopt and approve the fiscal year 2020 Budget appropriating the necessary funds for the operation of the government and administration of the City of Cambridge for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.
 - A. Give Ordinance No. 1150 a second reading by reading of title only
 - B. Open the public hearing, take public comment, and close the public hearing;
and
 - C. Pass Ordinance No. 1150

14. **SUBJECT:** Ordinance No. 1143 - An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, MD amending the city's Unified Development Code (UDC) to provide for a neighborhood conservation 3 overlay district; providing that the title of this ordinance shall be deemed a fair summary and generally relating to overlay districts in the City of Cambridge. Enforcement Authority: Pat Escher, A.I.C.P., Division Manager – Division of Planning, Housing and Economic Development, Department of Public Works
Recommendation: That Council moved to forward this Ordinance to the HPC
Commission for review: Approved Hanson/Sydnor

15. **SUBJECT:** Ordinance No. 1144 - An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Cambridge by rezoning 201 Mill Street, tax identification no. 07-173814, identified on tax map 301 as parcel 124 and consisting of 1.86 acres, more or less, to include the neighborhood conservation 3 overlay; providing that the title of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be a fair summary, and generally relating to the official zoning map of the city of Cambridge Agenda Item No. 01 Date: April 22, 2019
Enforcement Authority: Pat Escher, A.I.C.P., Division Manager – Division of Planning, Housing and Economic Development, Department of Public Works
Recommendation: That Council: Approve Ordinance, Motion to send Ordinance to HPC for review by Commissioner Rideout, seconded by Commissioner Hanson.
Motion passed 5-0

16. **SUBJECT:** Ordinance 1145 -- An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland amending Chapter 16 of the Code of the City of Cambridge, Maryland to provide for the permitting and location of Small Wireless Facilities and Support Structures in, upon, or over the sidewalks and streets of the City of Cambridge and

defining the terms associated therewith; providing that the title of this Ordinance shall be deemed a fair summary and generally relating to Small Wireless Facilities in the City of Cambridge. Enforcement Authority: Pat Escher, A.I.C.P., Division Manager – Division of Planning, Housing and Economic Development, Department of Public Works

Recommendation: That Council: Approve motion, Motion approved by Commissioner's Cannon/Sydnor Approved 5-0

17. SUBJECT: Ordinance 1146 -- An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland amending § 4.2.3 and Table 1: Permitted Uses by zoning district of the City's Unified Development Code ("UDC") to allow Small Wireless Facilities and support structures as a Special Exception with Conditions in all zoning districts; amending § 4.4.4 and Table 2: permitted uses by zoning subdistrict in the Downtown/Waterfront Development District of the UDC to allow Small Wireless Facilities as a Special Exception with Conditions in all subdistricts; and amending § 9.2 of the UDC to define terms associated therewith; providing that the title of this Ordinance shall be deemed a fair summary and generally relating to Small Wireless Facilities in the City of Cambridge. Enforcement Authority: Pat Escher, A.I.C.P., Division Manager – Division of Planning, Housing and Economic Development, Department of Public Works
Recommendation: That Council: Approve Motion to approve by Commissioner Sydnor, seconded by Commissioner Cannon, Motion passed 5-0.
18. SUBJECT: Ordinance 1147 -- An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland amending § 4.4.4 and Table 2: permitted uses by zoning subdistrict in the Downtown/Waterfront Development District of the City's unified development code ("UDC") to allow Professional Offices as a Special Exception with Conditions in the neighborhood subdistrict; providing that the title of this Ordinance shall be deemed a fair summary and generally relating to Professional Offices in the city of Cambridge. Enforcement Authority: Pat Escher, A.I.C.P., Division Manager – Division of Planning, Housing and Economic Development, Department of Public Works
Recommendation: That Council: Motion to amend language Commissioner's Hanson/ Cannon. Motion passed 5-0
19. SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1148 – An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland to establish the annual tax levy for Real Property for Fiscal Year 2020 beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020.
Recommendation: That Council: Motion by Commissioner Sydnor to set the tax Rate at .9179/\$100. This Ordinance dies for lack of a second. Commissioner Rideout made a motion to set the City real property tax rate at .8679/\$100, Motion passed 3-2
20. Public walkway along Cambridge Creek within Deep Harbour Complex, Commissioner Rideout Motion to approve and Commissioner Hanson seconds the Motion, passed 5-0

Adjourn

A motion by Commissioner Foster to adjourn the meeting was seconded and approved unanimously.

With no further business, Mayor Victoria Jackson-Stanley adjourned the meeting at 9:03 p.m. I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate account of the Council meeting Monday 13, 2019, insofar as I personally am aware.

Victoria Jackson-Stanley
Mayor