

The City Council met in a special regular session on Monday, June 13, 2016 in Council Chambers. A quorum being present, Acting Mayor Donald Sydnor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those Commissioners in attendance were Commissioners Vickers, Cooke, Thomas, and Hanson. Acting Mayor Donald Sydnor asked Michael Wheatley to lead the prayer. Commissioner Hanson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council met in closed executive session at 5:30 pm to discuss a personnel matter.

Agenda

1. Council to approve or amend agenda as presented

Sandra Tripp-Jones asked Council to add as Item30 a request for a letter of support for the County's application for grant funds for the Herbert Hearn Hardware building. Commissioner Thomas asked that Consent Calendar Item 5 be voted on separately. A motion by Commissioner Hanson to approve the amended agenda was seconded by Commissioner Cooke and approved unanimously.

Consent Calendar

2. SUBJECT: Minutes from the May 16, 2016 Council meeting
Recommendation: That Council approve as submitted.
3. SUBJECT: Minutes from the May 23, 2016 Council meeting
Recommendation: That Council approve as submitted.
4. SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation to the General Fund
Recommendation that Council:
 - A. Appropriate \$6,500 in donations for Police Uniforms to the General Fund and increase the Police Department Budget for the same amount.
 - B. Appropriate \$4,200 in grants from The Maryland Historical Trust for the training of staff and HPC members and increase the Public Works budget by the same amount.
 - C. Appropriate \$5,554 in grants from Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention (GOCCP) to help victims of domestic violence and increase the Police Department Budget for the same amount.
 - D. Appropriate \$2,000 from sale of old assets on govdeals.com and increase the Police Department Budget by the same amount.
6. SUBJECT: Request from Wednesday Morning Artists for permission to hold a Cambridge Pre-Competition Paint Out/Wet Paint Sale on Friday, July 8th from noon until 2:00 pm on the sidewalk on High Street between the Dorchester Center for the Arts and the High Spot and parking be prohibited on that section High Street.
Recommendation: That Council approve the request.

7. SUBJECT: Request from Dorchester Skipjack Committee for permission to hold a family picnic on Monday, July 4th from 12 noon until 4:00 pm in the Long Wharf parking lot.
Recommendation: That Council approve the request.
8. SUBJECT: Request from Cambridge Main Street for permission to hold RAR-BQ on Saturday, June 18 from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm on Poplar Street, close street from 10:00 am until 7:00 pm, and for a variance from the noise ordinance.
Recommendation: That Council approve the request.
9. SUBJECT: Request from Dorchester Center for the Arts for permission to hold Dorchester Center for the Arts Showcase on Sunday, September 25 from noon until 5:00 pm; close High Street from Poplar Street to Water Street, and a variance from the noise ordinance.
Recommendation: That Council approve the request.
10. SUBJECT: Request from Hyatt Regency for permission to display fireworks from Breakwater Pier on Thursday, July 28 starting at 9:30 pm for approximately 8 minutes.
Recommendation: that Council approve the request.
11. SUBJECT: Request from Bethel AME Church for use of City property on Schoolhouse Lane and Chesapeake Court for closure of Chesapeake Court on July 30, 2016 from 12 noon until 2:00 pm (or August 1, 2016 as a rain date from 4:30 pm until 6:30 pm) for a community outing event and a variance from the noise ordinance.
Recommendation that Council approve the request.
12. SUBJECT: Request from Mid-Shore Community Band for a noise variance on July 4, 2016 for a community concert at Sailwinds Park from 7:00 pm until 8:00 pm on the outdoor stage at Governors Hall.
Recommendation that Council approve the request.
13. SUBJECT: Job Description for Grants Assistant/Purchasing Technician Accounting Clerk
Recommendation that Council approve the job description for the Grants Assistant/
Purchasing Technician Accounting Clerk

A motion by Commissioner Thomas to approve the Consent Calendar Items 2 through 13 excluding Item 5 was seconded and approved unanimously.

5. SUBJECT: Letter of Support for the Naval Air Station, Patuxent River (NAS PAX) Joint Land Use Study (JLUS)
Recommendation: That Council approve and authorize the Acting Mayor to sign a letter of support for the Naval Air Station, Patuxent River (NAS PAX) Joint Land Use Study JLUS.

A motion by Commissioner Thomas to deny supplying a letter of support was seconded by Commissioner Vickers and approved unanimously.

Ordinances for Introduction

14. SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1075 to Revise Section 4.2.3 to Remove a Studio for Art, Music, Dance and Similar within the NC-1, NC-2, NC-3, and NC-4 Zone Districts as a Special Exception as Indicated in the Permitted Land Use Table #1

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce Ordinance No. 1075 by reading of title only and
- B. Schedule June 20, 3016 for second reading, public hearing and adoption.

No action was taken. This item was referred back to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

15. SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1076 to Firstly, Retain No On-Site Parking Requirements within the Core Sub District of Downtown/Waterfront Development District. Secondly, Allow for No On-Site Parking Requirements within the Other Sub-Districts Provided the Applicant Can Demonstrate That There Will Be No Negative Impacts to the Neighborhood and On-Street Parking is Permitted

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce Ordinance No. 1076 by reading of title only and
- B. Schedule June 20, 3016 for second reading, public hearing and adoption.

Introduced.

16. SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1077 to Revise Section 4.4.5 Development Standards to Include Form Based Code Standards for the Civic Sub-District. Revise the Downtown General Standards to Include the Civic Sub-district

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce Ordinance No. 1077 by reading of title only and
- B. Schedule June 20, 3016 for second reading, public hearing and adoption.

Introduced.

17. SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1078 to Revise Section 9.2 to Add New Land Use Definition Section to Provide Parameters for the New Cottage Industry of Short Term Rentals Via the Internet

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce Ordinance No. 1078 by reading of title only, and
- B. Schedule June 20, 3016 for second reading, public hearing and adoption.

Introduced.

18. SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1079 to Revise Section 5.1.4 to Include Fence Standards for Commercial Lots

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce Ordinance No. 1079 by reading of title only and
- B. Schedule June 20, 3016 for second reading, public hearing and adoption.

Introduced.

19. SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1080 to Amend the Unified Development Code to Provide Clarification Between Free Standing Signs and Multi-Tenant Signs, Reorganizing Text Language and Removing Repetitive Review Criteria

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce Ordinance No. 1080 by reading of title only and
- B. Schedule June 20, 3016 for second reading, public hearing and adoption.

Introduced.

20. SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1081 to Amend the Unified Development Code to Remove Section 2.4.2 D.1. that States that "No Existing Structure Devoted to a Use Not Permitted by This Ordinance in the Zone in Which It Is Located, Shall Be Enlarged, Extended, Constructed, Reconstructed, Moved, or Structurally Altered Except in Changing the Use of the Structure to a Use Permitted in the Zone" and to Add Reference Language.

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce Ordinance No. 1081 by reading of title only and
- B. Schedule June 20, 3016 for second reading, public hearing and adoption.

Introduced.

21. SUBJECT: Adoption and Approval of the FY 2017 Operating and Capital Budget Recommendation:

- A. Approve amendments to the FY 2017 Operating and Capital Budget;
- B. Introduce Resolution No.16-009 to Amend and Establish the Schedule of Fees Charged by the City of Cambridge
- C. Introduce Resolution No.16-010 to Adopt Positions and Salary Controls and Schedules of Salary Grades and Steps for General Employees and Sworn Police Officers for Fiscal Year 2017.
- D. Introduce Ordinance, No. 1082 by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland, to Adopt and Approve the Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 which Appropriates the Necessary Funds for the Operation of the Government and Administration of the City of Cambridge, Maryland, for the Period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017;

- E. Introduce an Ordinance No. 1083 of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland (“the commissioners”), to Amend Section 18-1, of Chapter 18 “Water” of the Code of Laws of the City of Cambridge, to Amend the Rates for Water Service;
- F. Introduce Ordinance 1084 of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland (“the Commissioners), to Amend Section 4-42 to Establish the Non-Owner Occupied Registration Fee by Resolution;
- G. Schedule June 20, 2016 for second readings, public hearings, and adoption.

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to accept the introduction and first reading of the ordinances and resolutions was seconded by Commissioner Cooke and approved unanimously. A motion by Commissioner Hanson to schedule the second readings and public hearings for June 20, 2016 was seconded and approved unanimously.

Old Business:

- 22. SUBJECT: Monitored Rehabilitation Program (MRP)
Recommendation that Council:
 - A. Rescind Ordinance No. 1019 Boarding of Residential Structures & Monitored Rehabilitation Program (MRP); and
 - B. Permit those properties currently enrolled in the MRP to remain until their expiration dates with no extensions.

A motion by Commissioner Thomas to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to terminate Ordinance No. 1019 was seconded by Commissioner Hanson and approved unanimously.

- 23. SUBJECT: Sale of Excess Property: 705 Pine Street
Recommendation: That Council approve sale of excess City property located at 705 Pine Street to Mr. Edward Beasley, sole bidder, in the amount of \$500.00 plus transfer fees and advertising costs

A motion by Commissioner Thomas to approve the recommendation was seconded by Commissioner Hanson and approved unanimously.

New Business

- 24. SUBJECT: Charter Resolution CR-2016-01. A Resolution of the Commissioners of Cambridge to Amend the Charter of the City of Cambridge by Substituting the Term and Position of “City Manager” for All References to “Clerk,” “Clerk-Treasurer,” “Treasurer,” “Town Clerk,” “Town Clerk and Treasurer,” or “Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector of Cambridge” Throughout the City Charter.
Recommendation that Council:
 - A. Introduce Charter Resolution CR-2016-01 by reading of title only
 - B. Schedule June 20, 2016 for a public hearing, and adoption.

Introduced.

25. SUBJECT: Charter Resolution No. CR-2016-02 A Resolution of the Commissioners of Cambridge to Amend the Charter of the City of Cambridge by Amending Section 3-7 Entitled "Supervisor of Elections."

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce the Charter Resolution No. CR-2016-02 by reading of title only and
- B. Schedule June 20, 2016 for a public hearing and adoption.

Introduced.

26. SUBJECT: Charter Resolution No. CR-2016-03 A Resolution of the Commissioners of Cambridge to Amend the Charter of the City of Cambridge by Amending Section 3-5

Entitled "Commissioners; Number, Election, Tenure, Qualifications" to require 6-month residency within the ward prior to the election, to establish documentation to be submitted, and to require residency within the ward during the duration of the term of office.

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce the Charter Resolution No. CR-2016-03 by reading of title only and
- B. Schedule June 20, 2016 for a public hearing and adoption.

Introduced.

27. SUBJECT: Charter Resolution No. CR-2016-04 A Resolution of the Commissioners of Cambridge to Amend the Charter of the City of Cambridge by Amending Section 3-6 Entitled "Same; Election" to Provide for a Change in the Date of Elections of Commissioners to the Tuesday Following the First Monday in November, Beginning in 2020, so as to Coincide with the Presidential Elections."

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce the Charter Resolution No. CR-2016-04 by reading of title only and
- B. Schedule June 20, 2016 for a public hearing and adoption.

No. action was taken.

28. SUBJECT: FY 2017 Working Waterfronts Enhancement Grant from Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) in the amount of \$30,000

Recommendation that Council approve submission of subject grant application.

A motion by Commissioner Cooke to approve the recommendation was seconded by Commissioner Thomas and approved 4:1 with Commissioner Vickers opposed. Her reason for opposing the application is mixed-use development.

Notices

29. City Council will next meet on June 20, 2016 and will not on June 27, 2016 due to the MML Conference from June 26 – 29, 2016 in Ocean City, MD.

30. Request for a letter of support for the County's application for grant funds for the additional stabilization Herbert Hearn Hardware building

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to authorize the Acting Mayor to sign a letter of support was seconded by Commission Thomas and approved unanimously.

Mayor and Council Comments

Closed Executive Session

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to hold a closed executive session immediately following the regular meeting to discuss personnel was seconded by Commissioner Thomas and approved 4:1 with Commissioner Vickers opposed.

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

With no further business, Acting Mayor Donald Sydnor adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m. I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate account of the Council meeting Monday, June 13, 2016, insofar as I personally am aware.

Donald J. Sydnor
Acting Mayor

**COMMISSIONERS OF CAMBRIDGE
CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

A **Date:** June 13, 2016
 Time: 5:30 pm
 Place: City Council Chambers

B **Citation of Authority/Purpose:** State Government Article, Section 10-508(a) (check one of the following):

x	1	discuss: (i) the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction; or (ii) any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals;
	2	protect the privacy or reputation of individuals with respect to a matter that is not related to public business;
	3	consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto;
	4	consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the City;
	5	consider the investment of public funds;
	6	consider the marketing of public securities;
	7	consult with counsel to obtain legal advice;
	8	consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation;
	9	conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations;
	10	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	prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination;
	12	conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct;
	13	comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter; or
	14	before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, 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.

C **Members present and vote of each member as to closing the session:**

Mayor	(only in a tie)
Jackie Vickers	Vote: Y
Donald Sydnor	Vote: Y
Frank Cooke	Vote: Y
Gage Thomas	Vote: Y
Commissioner Hanson	Vote: Y

Motion to close meeting: Commissioner Hanson Seconded: Commissioner Cooke

D **Topics Discussed:** Explanation of topics to be discussed (this may be by reference to the citation of authority listed above if further explanation would thwart the purpose of closing the meeting: City Attorney's Contract

E **Persons Present at the Closed Session:** If listing an individual as present would thwart the purpose of closing the meeting, do not list the individual but note that an individual was not listed for this reason: Acting Mayor Donald Sydnor (part time), Commissioner Vickers, Commissioner Cooke, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Hanson, Sandra Tripp-Jones, Rob Collison (part time – out of room during vote)

F **Actions Taken at the Closed Session:** A motion by Commissioner Hanson was seconded by Commissioner Cooke to direct Robert Collison to draft a contract for Council consideration for City Attorney as follows: • Converts city attorney to part-time unclassified employee • With retirement benefits/without health benefits • Hired/fired by City Council and Mayor • Reports to Council. The motion pass 4:0 with Acting Mayor Donald Sydnor out of the room.

**COMMISSIONERS OF CAMBRIDGE
CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

A **Date:** June 13, 2016
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 Place: City Council Chambers

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C **Members present and vote of each member as to closing the session:**

Mayor	(only in a tie)
Jackie Vickers	Vote: N
Donald Sydnor	Vote: Y
Frank Cooke	Vote: Y
Gage Thomas	Vote: Y
Commissioner Hanson	Vote: Y

Motion to close meeting: Commissioner Hanson Seconded: Commissioner Thomas

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F **Actions Taken at the Closed Session:** Presented action of earlier closed session. Mr. Collison confirmed that action acceptable to him. (No motions were made)