

The City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 26, 2016 in Council Chambers. A quorum being present, Mayor Victoria Jackson-Stanley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those Commissioners in attendance were Commissioners Rideout, Sydnor, Foster, Cannon, and Hanson. Mayor Victoria Jackson-Stanley asked for a moment of silence. Commissioner Hanson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda

1. Council to approve or amend agenda as presented

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to approve the agenda as presented was seconded by Commissioner Rideout and approved unanimously.

Consent Calendar

2. SUBJECT: Minutes of the September 12, 2016 Council Meeting
Recommendation: That Council approve as submitted.
3. SUBJECT: Request from Colleen Brighton for a variance from the noise ordinance during their Indie Craft Art Bazaar on Saturday, October 8, 2016 from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm on the Richardson Maritime Museum Property on Maryland Avenue and Hayward Street
Recommendation: That Council approve the request.
4. SUBJECT: Request from Katie Mae Smith on behalf of the Bond Servants, Inc. to hang a banner across Race Street near Cannery Way for the length of time allotted by the City to announce free Christian Music Concert at Sailwinds Park on October 23, 2016.
Recommendation: That Council approve request for the period of October 9 – 23, 2016.
5. SUBJECT: Set date and hours for trick-or-treat on Halloween
Recommendation: That Council approve trick-or-treating on Monday, October 31st between the hours of 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm for children ages 12 and under.
6. SUBJECT: Appropriation for Reoccurring Police Grants
Recommendation: That Council appropriate \$34,000 into the 2017 General Fund budget and increase the Police Budget by \$34,000 for reoccurring police grants.
7. SUBJECT: Letter of support for an American Legion Post 91 application to Chesapeake Bay Trust and Maryland State Agency for a 2016-2017 Watershed Assistance Grant.
Recommendation: That Council approve the request.

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to approve the consent calendar (Items 2 through 7) was seconded by Commissioner Cannon and approved unanimously.

Old Business

8. SUBJECT: Award of Contract for Annual Street Resurfacing
Recommendation: The Council award the contract for the annual street resurfacing to low bidder, Russell Paving Company, Inc. in the amount of \$227,000

A motion by Commissioner Rideout to award the contract to Russell Paving Company in the amount of \$227,000 was seconded by Commissioner Hanson and approved unanimously.

New Business

9. SUBJECT: Contract Amendment – Barkers Landing Excavation
Recommendation: That Council approve an amendment to the contract with Barkers Landing Excavation for additional work related to the Gateway Properties. The amendment will increase the amount of the contract by \$70,000.

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to approve the amendment was seconded by Commissioner Foster and approved unanimously.

10. SUBJECT: FY 2017 Watershed Assistance Program Grant from the Maryland Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Trust Fund in the amount of \$70,000 for Peachblossom Branch investigation and design as well as Cedar Street Stormwater Infrastructure Improvement design.
Recommendation: That Council approve the subject application by staff.

A motion by Commissioner Sydnor to approve submitting the grant application was seconded by Commissioner Hanson and approved unanimously.

11. SUBJECT: Request from Habitat for Humanity Choptank that the City Eliminate Fines and Liens (\$7,378.79) placed by the City on 443 High Street
Recommendation: That Council:
- A. Authorize staff to negotiate an agreement with Habitat for Humanity Choptank to reduce code violation citations and abatement liens placed on 443 High Street, in accordance with the policy established by Council on June 20, 2016.
 - B. Reduce existing fines and liens from \$7,378.79 to \$3,573.79, subject to Habitat for Humanity Choptank demolishing the property within 90 days or pay the full costs of citations and fees.

A motion by Commissioner Hanson that Council waive all fines and liens for 443 High Street for Habitat Choptank, that there be a zero balance, and under the condition that

the house be demolished within 90 days was seconded by Commissioner Cannon and approved 3:2 with Commissioners Sydnor and Foster opposed.

12. SUBJECT: Long Wharf Master Plan

Recommendation: That Council accept and approve the Long Wharf Park Master Development Plan as presented by the Long Wharf Advisory Committee and Lane Engineering.

Sandra Tripp-Jones asked that the recommendation be amended to accept but not approve the plan because it should have a public hearing.

A motion by Commissioner Sydnor go to into closed executive session to obtain legal advice concerning personnel was seconded by Commissioner Foster and approved unanimously.

A motion by Commissioner Hanson to close the closed executive session was seconded by Commissioner Cannon and approved unanimously.

No action was taken as it relates to personnel issues.

Lou Hyman, Chairman of the Long Wharf Advisory Committee, and Jeff Hubbard presented the master plan as developed by Lane Engineering. It is the result of extensive public input going back to 2012. A public hearing will be scheduled to introduce the plan to the citizens.

A motion by Commissioner Foster to accept the report and plan was seconded by Commissioner Rideout and approved unanimously.

Notices

13. Council Work Session on Team Building and Sailwinds Development Project Update on Sept. 29, 2106 and Sept. 30, 2016 from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm each day at the Public Safety Training Room.

14. The next regular Council meeting will be on Tuesday, October 11, 2016.

15. Trick-or-Treating on Halloween will be celebrated on Monday, October 31st between the hours of 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm for children ages 12 and under.

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

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With no further business, Mayor Victoria Jackson-Stanley adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m. I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate account of the Council meeting Monday, September 26, 2016, insofar as I personally am aware.

Victoria Jackson-Stanley
Mayor

**COMMISSIONERS OF CAMBRIDGE
CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

A **Date:** September 26, 2016
 Time: 6:47 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 Victoria Jackson-Stanley	(only in a tie)
Commissioner Stephen Rideout	Vote: Y
Commissioner Donald Sydnor	Vote: Y
Commissioner La-Shon Foster	Vote: Y
Commissioner David Cannon	Vote: Y
Commissioner Robert Hanson	Vote: Y

Motion to close meeting: Comm. Sydnor Seconded: Comm. Foster

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: **Possible Conflict of Interest**

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: Mayor Victoria Jackson-Stanley, Commissioner Rideout, Commissioner Sydnor, Commissioner Foster, Commissioner Cannon, Commissioner Hanson, Sandra Tripp-Jones, Rob Collison, Oden Wheeler

F **Actions Taken at the Closed Session: No action was taken**