

A Special Meeting of the Chesapeake City Council was called to order by Mayor Dalton S. Edge on May 3, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Building, 306 Cedar Road.

INVOCATION: Council Member Clifton E. Hayes, Jr.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Patricia Pritchard Willis

ROLL CALL BY CLERK OF COUNCIL

Present: Council Member Rebecca C. W. Adams (arrived at 7:25 p.m.)
Council Member Bryan L. Collins
Mayor Dalton S. Edge
Council Member Clifton E. Hayes, Jr.
Council Member Alan P. Krasnoff
Council Member Patricia Pritchard Willis

Absent: Council Member John M. de Triquet (excused)
Vice Mayor Dwight M. Parker (excused)
Council Member Ella P. Ward (excused)

Present from Administration: Acting City Manager Anne Odell, City Attorney Ronald Hallman, Deputy City Manager Amar Dwarkanath, Deputy City Manager Wanda Barnard-Bailey, Budget Director Betty Meyer, Chief Deputy City Clerk Beverly Pender and other staff members.

Mayor Edge advised that there were no minutes for consideration.

APPLICANTS, AGENTS, AND CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON PLANNING

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

Chief Deputy City Clerk Pender identified the following speakers who spoke in support of Non-Planning Public Hearing Item **(A)**:

Kevin G. Pace, 200 Shore Side Road, was not present when called.

Monique Jones, 1825 Campostella Road, was not present when called.

Kay Bunch, 3009 Bardford Court, was not present when called.

Rebecca Voskeritchian, 6300 E. Virginia Beach Boulevard, Norfolk, was not present when called.

John Cannon, 312 Knells Ridge Drive, Advocacy for Mental Retardation Services.

Vernon Gordon, 1201 Spruce Lane, representing Fernwood Farms Civic League, spoke in support of Non Planning Public Hearing Item **(B)**.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Pender identified the following speakers who spoke in opposition to Non-Planning Public Hearing Item **(A)**:

Joan Roberts, 1303 Eagles Trace Path, representing self.

Thomas Arrington III, 305 Stonewood Court, representing Citizens for Fair Real Estate Tax.

Gene Waters, 360 Clearfield Avenue, representing Citizens for Fair Real Estate Tax.

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Michelle Jones, 932 Levee Lane, representing Citizens for Fair Real Estate Tax.

Jack Rochevot, 3116 Bunch Walnut Road, representing self.

Richard Doss, 4028 Ballahack Road, representing Citizens for Fair Real Estate tax.

Wayne Johnson, 761 Waters Road, representing self.

Russell Underwood, 101 Sparrow Road, representing self.

Lincoln Potter, 703 Wentworth Drive, representing Citizens for Fair Real Estate Tax, also requested a meeting with City Council Members on the City's Budget Process.

Mayor Edge commented on the City Council's process for receiving public input on matters affecting the City of Chesapeake.

Council Member Adams arrived at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor Edge requested Chief Deputy City Clerk Pender to recall the names of speakers not present earlier. The following speakers spoke in support of Non-Planning Public hearing Item **(A)**:

Rebecca Voskeritchian, 6300 E. Virginia Beach Boulevard, Norfolk, VA, representing the Endependence Center.

Sherrie Lucas, 204 Fernwood Farms Road, representing Fernwood Farms Civic League.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Pender presented Non Planning Public Hearing **(A)**.

A. PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET JULY 1, 2007 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008:

- (1) AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING AND LEVYING A TAX WITHIN THE CITY OF CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA, ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE CITY, FOR THE RETIREMENT OF BONDED DEBT, AND FOR THE PAYING OF INTEREST THEREON FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2007, TO JUNE 30, 2008.
- (2) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 30 OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "FINANCE AND TAXATION," ARTICLE XI, SECTION 30-354 THEREOF, TO IMPOSE A FLAT RATE INCREASE OF \$1.00 TO THE TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX TO BE USED FOR TOURISTS PROMOTION ACTIVITIES.
- (3) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 82 OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "VEHICLES FOR HIRE," ARTICLE I, SECTION 82-2 THEREOF, TO PROVIDE FOR A CHARGE OF \$10.00 FOR EACH COPY OF A PATIENT CARE REPORT.

- (4) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 34 OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION," SECTION 34-6 THEREOF, TO INCREASE CERTAIN FIRE PERMIT FEES FOR BULK PLANTS, TERMINALS, MANUFACTURING, AND SIMILAR FACILITIES FOR STORAGE TANKS OF GREATER THAN 100,000 GALLONS USED FOR BULK STORAGE OF FLAMMABLE OR COMBUSTIBLE LIQUIDS.
- (5) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 14 OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS," ARTICLE II, SECTION 14-33, SUBSECTIONS (a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4), (a)(5), (a)(6), (a)(7), (e)(2), AND (e)(3) THEREOF, AND ADDING SUBSECTIONS (e)(4) AND (e)(5) TO INCREASE AND ESTABLISH CERTAIN FEES APPLICABLE TO THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS AND OTHER RELATED PERMITS AND PLAN REVIEWS.
- (6) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 70 OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "SUBDIVISIONS," ARTICLE V, SECTION 70-191(1)c. THEREOF, TO INCREASE THE FEES ASSOCIATED WITH REVIEW OF AGRICULTURAL DIVISIONS, RESUBDIVISIONS, CONSERVATION DIVISIONS AND VALIDATIONS OF PLATS FROM \$60 TO \$150 IN ACCORDANCE WITH VIRGINIA CODE §15.2-2241.
- (7) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 70 OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "SUBDIVISIONS," ARTICLE V, SECTION 70-191(1) BY ADDING SUBSECTIONS d. AND e. TO ESTABLISH AN E-911 MAPPING FEE OF \$395 IN CONNECTION WITH THE FILING OF PRELIMINARY AND FINAL SUBDIVISION PLANS IN ACCORDANCE WITH VIRGINIA CODE §15.2-2241.
- (8) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 70 OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE ENTITLED "SUBDIVISIONS," ARTICLE V, SECTION 70-191(1) THEREOF, BY ADDING SUBSECTION f. TO ESTABLISH A \$250 E-911 FEE FOR SUBDIVISION AND STREET NAME CHANGES IN ACCORDANCE WITH VIRGINIA CODE §15.2-2241.

- (9) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX "A" OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "ZONING," ARTICLE 20, SECTION 20-102.A.2.g THEREOF, TO INCREASE THE FEES ASSOCIATED WITH APPLICATIONS FOR VARIANCES MADE TO THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS FROM \$100 TO \$225 FOR VARIANCE REQUESTS APPLICABLE TO ALL NONRESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS, FROM \$100 TO \$100 FOR VARIANCE REQUESTS APPLICABLE TO ALL RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS, AND FROM \$100 TO \$225 FOR APPLICATIONS SEEKING AN APPEAL OF A DECISION OR DETERMINATION BY THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH VIRGINIA CODE §15.2-2286.
- (10) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX "A" OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "ZONING," ARTICLE 20, SECTION 20-102.A.2 THEREOF, TO ADD SUBSECTION r. TO INCREASE THE FEE APPLICABLE TO DEVIATIONS FROM PUD MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLANS FROM \$0 TO \$100 IN ACCORDANCE WITH VIRGINIA CODE §15.2-2286.
- (11) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX "A" OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "ZONING," ARTICLE 20, SECTION 20-102.A.2 THEREOF TO ADOPT SUBSECTIONS s. AND t. TO ESTABLISH AN E-911 MAPPING FEE OF \$395 IN CONNECTION WITH THE FILING OF PRELIMINARY AND FINAL SITE PLANS IN ACCORDANCE WITH VIRGINIA CODE §15.2-2286.
- (12) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 30 OF THE CITY CODE ENTITLED "FINANCE AND TAXATION," ARTICLE XVIII, SECTIONS 30-552 AND 30-558 THEREOF, TO PROVIDE THAT THE GREENBRIER AREA COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FUND AND THE SOUTH NORFOLK REVITALIZATION TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FUND SHALL BE DEBITED FOR RESERVES REQUIRED BY THE CHESAPEAKE CITY CHARTER AND BY THE RESERVES POLICY ADOPTED BY THE CHESAPEAKE CITY COUNCIL.
- (13) AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2007, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2008, TO PRESCRIBE THE TERMS AND PAYMENT AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES WHOLLY IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Pender identified the following speakers who spoke in opposition to Non-Planning Public Hearing Item (A):

Debbie Bond, 648 Edgewood Arch, was not present.

Jack King, 1326 Waters Road, representing Chesapeake Citizens for Fair Real Estate Tax.

These items were for discussion and public input only, no action was taken.

B. PROPOSED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – FIVE YEARS:
FY 2007-08 THROUGH FY 2011-12

Chief Deputy City Clerk Pender presented the item and advised there were no speakers on the item.

This item was for discussion and public input only, no action was taken.

C. PROPOSED CAPITAL BUDGET – JULY 1, 2007, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008

Chief Deputy City Clerk Pender presented the item and advised there were no speakers on the item.

This item was for discussion and public input only, no action was taken.

Mayor Edge advised that an additional Public Hearing would be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2007, and that the City Council may adopt the budget at that time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Edge combined Committee Reports with Old and New Business.

Council Member Adams commented on her opportunity to see Queen Elizabeth II of England earlier in the day in Richmond.

Council Member Collins addressed the Fernwood Farms flooding and mitigation issues and stated that the Department of Public Works was looking into the matter. He offered comments on the budget public hearings on the budget and the budget process.

Council Member Willis requested that information concerning Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the assistance they provide, be included in stormwater bills of residents living in flood areas. She commented on the Budget public meeting held earlier in the year at B. M. Williams School with Members of Council and support staff and said it was a good concept. Council Member Willis spoke on the real estate assessments for businesses, the cost of Belharbour project and infrastructure improvements in the South Norfolk area. Council Member Willis suggested that a joint health care contract between Chesapeake Public Schools and the City could potentially save money. She commented on undersigned year end money and asked if a project was included as a line item to aid the Fernwood Farms Neighborhood. Council Member Collins said it was a part of the list being considered.

Question raised by Chesapeake Citizens for Fair Real Estate was passed to staff for review.

Mayor Edge reminded everyone of the Paddle for the Border event scheduled for Saturday, May 5, 2007.

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ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Edge adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

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Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk