NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON Monday, April 19, 2010 AT 6:30 p.m. IN THE Second Floor Conference Room.

THE PROPOSED AGENDA IS AS FOLLOWS:

Closed session as provided by Section 2.2-3712 of the Virginia Code

BY ORDER OF THE MAYOR

BY Jeanne Cox

SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM - April 19, 2010

Council met in special session on this date with the following members present: Dr. Brown, Ms. Edwards, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos.

On motion by Dr. Brown, seconded by Ms. Szakos, Council voted (Ayes: Dr. Brown, Ms. Edwards, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos. Noes: None) to meet in closed session for consultation with legal counsel involving specific legal matters related to the McIntire Road Extended and the Route 250-McIntire Road Interchange road projects, and probable litigation related thereto, where such consultation in an open meeting would adversely affect the litigating posture of the city, as authorized by Section 2.2-3711(A)(7) of the Virginia Code

On motion by Dr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Huja, Council voted (Ayes: Dr. Brown, Ms. Edwards, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos. Noes: None) to certify by a recorded vote that to the best of each Council member's knowledge only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and identified in the motion convening the closed session were heard, discussed or considered in the closed session.

COUNCIL CHAMBER – April 19, 2010

Council met in regular session on this date with the following members present: Dr. Brown, Ms. Edwards, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Norris extended Council's deepest condolences to the family of the bicyclist who died as a result of a recent traffic accident. Mr. Norris said the Job Fair will be held on Wednesday and a Tree City event will be held on Thursday.

Ms. Edwards said a celebration of Burley High School will be held.

<u>AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS</u>: Communications Department; Arbor Day; Outgoing Clerk of Council

- Mr. Norris announced that the Communications Department has received an Animal Welfare Award for its work with the SPCA.
- Mr. Norris recognized outgoing Clerk of Council, Jeanne Cox, who is retiring after 27 years as Clerk.
 - Mr. Norris presented the Arbor Day proclamation.

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- Ms. Ivana Kadija, 704 Belmont Avenue, representing Belmont and Church Street neighbors, asked permission to paint a Mandela with permanent paint in the neighborhood. She said the proposal will also be taken to the Belmont Neighborhood Association. She also asked that the \$100 street closure fee be waived.
- Ms. Colette Hall, 101 Robertson Lane, said she would like to know when citizens can have input into qualities of the future City Manager.
- Ms. Shelly Stern, 1310 Florence Road, advocated that Council take action to promote safety for drivers, bikers and pedestrians. She expressed condolences to the family of the biker that died.
- Mr. Vince Caristo, 715 Nalle Street, Executive Director of ACCT, said it is a sad day due to the bicycling accident. He said the accident adds a sense of urgency to the need for safety education. He said the City needs to connect the bike network. He suggested that the City look at Austin, Texas and follow their lead.
- Ms. Erin Franey, 1205 Wertland St., Apt. A, a 3rd year at U. Va., representing Workers and Students Limited, supported a living wage at U. Va. She asked Council to support a resolution to pressure U. Va. and the incoming U. Va. President to match the City's living wage. Many people in the audience stood in support of Ms. Franey's comments.
- Mr. Wesley Bellamy, 2334 Peyton Drive, said many citizens feel they are not welcome at Council meetings, and suggested Council go to their neighborhoods. He said it is important to make people aware of their civil rights.
- Mr. Peter Kleeman, 407 Hedge Street, said he recently walked the mall during Historic Preservation Week and was disappointed that only one fountain is operating.
- Ms. Dede Smith, 2652 Jefferson Park Circle, thanked Jeanne Cox, Clerk of Council, on behalf of citizens, for her service to the community.

COUNCIL RESPONSES TO MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Mr. Huja said he is supportive of the idea of a Mandela in Belmont and hopes we will waive the fee. He asked staff to follow-up on the concern about the fountains on the mall. He said he agrees with the need for safer bike lanes and trails.

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Ms. Szakos said she is fascinated by the idea and concept of the Mandela. She said the City Manager search firm has been told that Council wants public input into the process. She echoed comments about bike safety. Ms. Szakos thanked the supporters of the living wage at U. Va. for coming and for their willingness to step up for others. She asked staff to draft a resolution. Regarding Mr. Bellamy's request for meetings in neighborhoods, she said she is meeting with staff to look at ways to implement that.

Dr. Brown said he was upset by the news of the death of the bicyclist, and thanked ACCT for taking steps to make us a safer community. He said he is proud that the City has a living wage, but is concerned about doing this by resolution. He said Council has developed a good relationship with U. Va. and he would rather see other strategies used that are not quite as confrontational.

Ms. Edwards said that speakers during matters by the public are role models to give others the courage to come forward.

Mr. Norris said he agrees with comments made. He said he would like to have staff look at Austin, Texas for bike safety information.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Szakos corrected the minutes of April 5th.

Ms. Edwards asked for a brief update on Section 3, how it relates to CDBG and HOME funds, and how we can use those funds to create job opportunities.

Mr. Jim Tolbert, Director of Neighborhood Development Services, said that HUD requires agencies receiving CDBG and H OME funds to attempt to employ persons with 80% AIM. He said staff is developing suggested changes that will be coming to Council.

Michael Harvey, Executive Director of Thomas Jefferson Partnership, said he is ready to work with the City in bringing more people into permanent jobs.

On motion by Dr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Huja, the following consent agenda items were approved, with the minutes of April 5th corrected, by the following vote. Ayes: Dr. Brown, Ms. Edwards, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos. Noes: None.

a. Approving minutes of March 31 and April 5

b. **APPROPRIATION**: \$76,914 – Police Miscellaneous Revenue (2nd reading)

c. **APPROPRIATION**: \$302,000 – Homeland Security Grant (2nd reading)

d. **APPROPRIATION**: \$709,255.82 – CDBG Funding for FY 11 (2nd reading)

e. **APPROPRIATION**: \$173,915 – HOME Funding for FY 11 (2nd reading)

f. **RESOLUTION**: \$8,309.84 – Pride of Virginia Lodge Tax Refund

g. **APPROPRIATION**: \$85,000 – Summer Lunch Program Grant (carried over)

h. **APPROPRIATION**: \$1,900 – Fire Programs Grant (carried over)

i. **APPROPRIATION**: \$250,395 – Foster Families Stipends (carried over)

j. **APPROPRIATION**: \$14,8060.66 – Extradition costs Reimbursement

(carried over)

k. **RESOLUTION**: Authoring Cost Sharing Agreement with Corps of

Engineers for Future Stormwater Improvements

1. ORDINANCE: "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF A UTILITY EASEMENT UNDER EMMET STREET TO THE RECTOR AND VISITORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA" (2nd reading)

m. <u>ORDINANCE</u>: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REORDAINING CHAPTER 34-158 OF ARTICLE I (ADMINISTRATION) OF CHAPTER 34 (ZONING) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, 1990, AS AMENDED, RELATED TO SITE PLAN SUBMISSIONS WITH SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATIONS" (2nd reading)

WORK SESSION: SOLID WASTE

Council moved to the Basement Conference Room for a work session on Solid Waste issues.

Mr. Maurice Jones, Acting City Manager, said that the goal of the work session is to provide information to Council for future decisions.

Ms. Judy Mueller, Director of Public Works, provided the history of the three party agreement between the City, Albemarle County and Rivanna Solid Waste Authority. She said the funding agreement with RSWA expires on June 30, 2010, and RSWA is in the process of reviewing proposals for services. Ms. Mueller asked Council for permission to go out to bid for disposal of trash (not collection).

- Mr. Craig Brown, City Attorney, said if RSWA does not care where we take the trash, he does not know of any reason why it cannot be taken wherever haulers want.
- Dr. Brown said he would like to see a system that helps the community recycle as much as possible. He asked that staff take a close look at what is being done privately and in others areas. He asked what percentage of efficiency are we looking at.
- Ms. Mueller said she thinks staff can work with the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission or other organizations to explore options. Ms. Mueller said more information will be available in the next few weeks.
- Dr. Brown said he read an interesting article in the *New York Times* about incineration of trash in Europe.
- Ms. Szakos asked that research include best practices for things like community recycling.
- Mr. Norris suggested that we look into going in together with others that provide recycling on marketing recycling.
 - Ms. Mueller said she will bring back options for curbside disposal.
 - Dr. Brown suggested having someone look into regional research.

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- Mr. Preston Coiner, 411 2nd Street, N.E., said he recently retired from the recycling business. He said there is a great opportunity for single stream recycling. He suggested getting a menu of options from collectors and haulers.
- Mr. Downing Smith said he likes the idea about having both separating and single stream recycling.
- Ms. Dede Smith said that when recycling and trash are collected separately we have twice the trucks on the road. She said citizens should be involved in saying what they want.
- Mr. Richard Lloyd asked about the cost associated with enforcement of the current system.

An employee of Peter Van der Linde, a single stream recycling business, said they have a recycling rate of 34%.

Mr. Peter Van der Linde, said single stream recycling has come a long way, but is not perfected yet. He said he is available as a resource.

Ms. Colette Hall asked what will happen to the McIntire Recycling Center if the City pulls out of RSWA.

Ms. Mueller said she believes RSWA owns the Recycling Center, and it could continue if the City pulls out.

Mr. Norris noted that Council has not made a decision to pull out of the Recycling Center.

The meeting was adjourned.